

Christmas Shopping Shows Big Increase Over 1932 Business

Prospects Are That Trade Will Be Far in Excess of Last Year—Wholesale Prices Up in November Statistics

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—Christmas shopping has developed satisfactorily, and prospects are it will be well in excess of volume of the last two years in both quantity and dollar value, says the Bank of Montreal monthly business summary. An exception is noted in the Prairie Provinces, however, where indications do not point to a larger volume.

In the year now closing Canada has participated fully in the improved characteristic of economic conditions in the most favorably situated countries, the report states. In the second quarter of the year a marked reversal of trend occurred after three years of persistent declines. Although the rise was less spectacular than in the United States, it has been steadier and followed by less recoil.

DOMINION GAINS
A gain of about one-third in representative economic barometers was shown at the height of recovery late in Summer and there has been an all-round gain of at least 17 per cent as the year draws to its close. From the standpoint of industrial production alone in the past twelve months, Canada's gain is 25 per cent as compared with United States, 15 per cent, United Kingdom 8 per cent, France 17 per cent, and Germany 19 per cent.

November and December have seen Canadian business on an even keel, the main tendency being towards strength and consolidation.

Wholesale commodity prices, says the report, moved up in November from 87.9 to 88.1 in the index number. Animals and animal products showed a rise of two points. Other advances occurred in grain, lumber, iron products and certain of the non-ferrous metals, while there were declines in textiles, non-metallic minerals, copper and zinc. Canadian farm products as a whole moved forward from 51.4 to 53.8.

WHEAT SHRINKAGE
Factors in the wheat outlook are stated to be the shrinkage of 5,000,000 bushels in the Australian official estimate, a steadiness of demand in Great Britain and unfavorable weather reports from the United States Winter wheat area. On the other hand, European crop estimates have mounted to 1,680,000,000 bushels, the largest on record.

Exports from Canada during November were larger than for any month since December, 1930, while imports were larger than for any month since May, 1932.

Total foreign trade in the eight months ended November 30 amounted to \$784,877,000, compared with \$638,134,000 for the same period last year.

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Co-Operation of Citizens Sought By Chief Heatley

CHIEF of Police Thomas Heatley last night asked for the co-operation of all citizens in connection with an attempt to minimize the number of robberies. His warning comes after a series of burglaries in Oak Bay and one in the city last night. The Chief asked that all persons see that their houses are left secure before they leave them for the evening, and also not to leave money or jewelry around the home. By removing money particularly, activities of burglars would be greatly limited, the Chief said.

O'DUFFY IS FACING CHARGE OF ATTEMPT TO SLAY PRESIDENT

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On July 17, contrary to the Public Safety Act.

Second: That O'Duffy was a member of the National Guard, formerly known as the Army Comrades' Association, between August 22 and December 9, contrary to the same Act.

Third: He uttered a seditious speech at Ballyshannon within the hearing of police and other citizens of the Free State, urging "all Irishmen worthy of the name" to join the unlawful Young Ireland Association and wear its colors.

Fourth: He incited certain persons, whose names are known, to murder President de Valera at the Ballyshannon meeting.

Fifth: He attempted to incite to murder at Ballyshannon.

STILL A FREE MAN

General O'Duffy was released from jail two days ago, after a judge ruled that he and a follower, Captain John Sullivan, had been illegally detained for five days because of a clash with police at Westport, County Mayo.

O'Duffy wrote to the editor of The London Daily News that he had not made the remarks attributed to him at Ballyshannon and declared the report was "not a correct report" and made the speech "appear to be a very grave imputation."

"I take this very first opportunity after my release from illegal custody," he wrote, "to publish my emphatic denial of any such imputation, or in any other way, stated or suggested that 'Mr. de Valera is entitled to the fate he met' at Michael Collins and Kevin O'Higgins."

French Trains Collide in Fog Killing Over Hundred

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The accident was one of the gravest in the history of French railroading. It was far more serious than the one at Evreux, last October, in which thirty-five were killed and fifty injured when the Cherbourg-Paris Express, rounding a curve, hurried off the rails and into the Roulou River.

Indicators in the locomotive of the Strasbourg train, whose passengers were saved by serious injuries to the steel coaches, were said to have registered a speed of sixty-five miles an hour at the time of the crash.

A second catastrophe was narrowly averted when the Express of Meaux came within 350 yards of plunging into the tangled wreckage.

STRANGE PRESENTMENT

The engineer of the Meaux train said the fog made the red signals appear green, but a strange presentment caused him to look again and a clear spot in the fog showed a red light.

He applied the brakes so suddenly that passengers were thrown out of their seats.

Two hundred of the injured were rushed to Paris hospitals, and eighty others were taken to hospitals and private homes at Lagny, Pontoise and Torcy by rescue trains, fleets of ambulances, and private automobiles.

Premier Camille Chautemps, with another Cabinet member, rushed to the scene of the wreck from Paris as soon as Parliament adjourned after a night session.

Calgary Digging Out of Blizzard

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP).—Train, highway and street car transportation services flew their "storm signals" today as hundreds of men were called to bring back normal traffic after an early morning blizzard. Trains, both east and west-bound, were delayed for hours after a battle against heavy snowfall and cold north winds.

Main highways out of Calgary held up the progress of motorists, and snow ploughs worked to clear huge drifts, many feet high, while slide roads were impassable.

SIR CHARLES DICKENS IS BURIED AT PUTNEY

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP).—With simple services similar to his famous father's funeral in Westminster Abbey, Sir Henry Dickens, son of the novelist, Charles Dickens, was buried today in a grave lined with soft moss and laurel leaves, at Putney Vale Cemetery. After the service the members of the family and the mourners dropped a small bouquet of flowers into the grave.

DRIVER BRUTALLY BEATEN

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Oulton Steve, taxi driver, Columbia Avenue, was brutally beaten by a man he picked up as a fare today and he is robbed of his car and \$2, according to his report to the police.

NEW FEATURES ARE INSTALLED

Departures in Home Construction Arouse Considerable Interest

Two recently completed residences, one for H. P. Bagley, on Foul Bay Road, and one for H. F. Harman, on the Cadboro Bay Road, just outside the Uplands, contain a new feature of construction.

These residences, planned and supervised by Major K. B. Spurgin, L.R.I.B.A., have been built without basements.

The heating is provided for by hot water heating plants in boiler rooms off the kitchen, four steps below the kitchen floor level, and provision is made for fuel storage rooms adjoining boiler rooms. With a clearance of two feet under ground floor slabs, a layer of lime and cement concrete is laid over the soil, which prevents all damp and soil gases rising. Sliding vents are provided in foundation walls, which can be shut off in winter.

These heating plants are known as "overhead" systems, the feed pipes running up to the attic and then down the stairs, and the main turn to the boiler under the house. All pipes are lagged with asbestos cell covering to retain heat.

FELT BASE

In both of these houses a stucco felt base is used over the slabs, instead of tar paper, and the key for the stucco (California type) is laths and chicken wire. All bathroom walls and floors, and soundproofed walls, are treated in a similar manner. It is conservatively estimated that the present-day cost of the larger of these two residences is at least \$3,000 less than 1929 figures.

Mr. Harman's house, the exterior of which is of the English domestic type, nestles in a hollow in the rising ground above the Cadboro Bay Road, and commands a charming view of sea and islands. Oak trees and shrubs surround the house, and the upper hall. The plumbing includes a toilet and laundry in cloak room, tub and separate shower and basin in the tile-roofed bathroom, separate tiled toilet, and sink in pantry with tiled back and drain boards. The master's bedroom is 15 x 21, with fireplace and cupboard, and a door to the house is wired both for light and power, and has a full complement of electric outlets.

OBVATE STEPS

Mr. Bagley's house, which is of the English domestic type, is located so as to merge with an already established and beautiful garden of about an acre, situated at the foot of the hill, and is reached by a concrete driveway to the garage. On the garden side a curve, hurried off the rails and into the Roulou River.

The main structure has an overall length of seventy-three feet and a feature of the house is the living-room and terrace, and a dining-room with recessed tub, and study with built-in writing desk in a recess. The kitchen is electric with metal sink, all down stairs, and the heating plant has an Oil-o-Matic fuel oil burner.

PRAYER URGENTLY NEEDED IN WORLD AFFAIRS OF TODAY

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not done, for all those our word is this:

URGES PRAYER

"They must, firstly, pray; secondly, pray, and thirdly, continue to pray. We invite them all to pray and persist in their prayers."

Mankind, until now, said His Holiness, has "talked too much and too uselessly."

The Pope appeared in excellent health and in a cheerful mood, escorted to the Consistory Hall by the high members of the court.

The Sacred College, in full regalia, and the officials of the Vatican City were assembled there expressly for the traditional ceremony of wishing him "Multa annos"—many years of life.

Cardinal Pignatelli, the dean of the sacred college, speaking on behalf of them all, declared that the holy year, thus far, has been "a magnificent success."

BRITISH COLUMBIA LEADERS EXPRESS CHRISTMAS WISHES

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ation should be among the first to reap the benefits of increasing and increasing world trade, and to all British Columbians I desire to convey my sincerest wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and, in the New Year, a speedy return to more prosperous times."

PREMIER T. D. PATULLO

Premier Pattullo issued the following message, on behalf of the British Columbia Government:

"People will enjoy contentment and happiness at Christmas in the measure of their feeling of goodwill towards each other. There is no doubt that many who have suffered misfortune will have happy recollections of this Christmas by the thoughtful remembrance of many who have been more fortunate."

"May I take the opportunity of expressing the wish that all our people may enjoy the Christmas season, and that health and happiness may follow them in full measure."

HON. JOHN HART

Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, and second member-elect for Victoria, issued the following message:

"To my fellow-citizens of Victoria, and British Columbia as a whole, I desire to offer my warmest good wishes for a Merry Christmas, and for a greater share of prosperity in the New Year."

Heads Local Branch of Alpine Club

CLAUDE L. HARRISON

Electing president of the Vancouver Island section of the Alpine Club of Canada, at the annual meeting held a few days ago, has been one of the most active spirits in the organization for the past few years. This evening he was elected president of the club's outdoor activities, and has been chiefly responsible for directing attention to the attractions of the local mountains, where the club now has a permanent headquarters in the form of a summer camp for members aspiring to qualify as active members of the parent society, by climbing at the summer camps in the Rockies. As president here, he succeeds A. O. Wheeler.

1934 has been our lot for some time past.

There are already many signs of improvement in business and industrial conditions, and while recovery is likely to be gradual, it will be the more permanent for that reason. British Columbia is in the fortunate position that it possesses immense natural resources, and with a vigorous policy of development, the type of future which it has drawn marked advance in production.

"British Columbians have shown great courage and hopefulness in face of the difficulties through which they have been passing, and these qualities will assist them to make the most of the better times in store for them. In view of all the encouraging signs, I feel that the residents of our province will be in the mood to make this Christmas season a joyous one."

D. B. PLUNKETT, M.P.

D. B. Plunkett, Federal Member for Victoria, issued the following message:

"Christmas and the New Year 1934, brings to us, as citizens of Victoria and British Columbia, an assurance of better times in our industrial and commercial future, with a larger share of prosperity than we have experienced during the past few years."

"During the past year in the mining and lumber camps of our province, thousands of men have returned to steady employment, and this decided improvement in two of our major industries will insure further prosperity throughout our whole province, as their success will have a stimulating effect upon all other lines of business. World conditions are much better, and particularly the Dominion, lead in this return to prosperity."

It is a pleasure and privilege for me to express your columns to the citizens of Victoria and British Columbia my sincere wish for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year."

BYRON JOHNSON

Byron Johnson, first member-elect for Victoria, expressed the following sentiments:

"I welcome the opportunity to express through your columns to the citizens of Victoria, and of the Municipalities of Oak Bay, Saanich, and Esquimalt, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year."

ROBERT CONNELL

Robert Connell, fourth member-elect for Victoria, expressed the following sentiments:

"I welcome the opportunity to express through your columns to the citizens of Victoria, and of the Municipalities of Oak Bay, Saanich, and Esquimalt, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year."

KILLED IN CAR ACCIDENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—An unidentified man was killed and another seriously injured in an automobile accident at the corner of Carroll and Pender Streets tonight.

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Christianity Has Exalted Children, Survey Discloses

Morors of Child Infanticide Abolished by Coming of Child of Bethlehem—Modern Industrialism Responsible for Much Cruelty to Children in So-Called Christian Lands

By Rev. Dr. J. K. UNWORTH

IT is now a truism that Christmas is Children's Day. Considered in the light of history, this is a tremendous and revolutionary fact. For while festivity was a feature of the Winter solstice long before the festivity centred around the unique episode at Bethlehem, the child had no particular place in it. It stands as a matter of history that the Child of Bethlehem brought the children of the world into the centre of the Christmas observances. It was Jesus Who first gave the child a "square deal," and in the slow evolution of human culture humanity accords justice to the child in proportion to its surrender to the spirit and teaching of Jesus.

The most cursory glance over the long centuries makes this evident. Looking back to the earlier stages of humanity, a dark, even gruesome picture is flashed upon the screen. It is the ghastly truth that babies—babies as tender of flesh as the little ones lying in their cribs today in Victoria's homes, or of the Christ Child itself, have been eaten by humans—thousands upon thousands of them—and (most revolting fact) often by the mothers who bore them. Gruesome as this is, one may perhaps well pause for a moment to glance at its horribleness, if only to see the better the brightness of the star that shone over the manger of the Christian story.

The aborigines of South Australia, according to Stanbridge, who lived eighteen years among them, killed their new-born children in order to eat them. The flesh of children dying a natural death was commonly eaten. A German missionary from that area asserts that a mother there "devours her own child with a smiling countenance." In Africa, according to Lippert, a traveler saw new-born children selected as delicate articles of diet. In Darfur within the last century two boys were devoured on special feast days by the Sultan and the highest officials. Among the Negroes of Haiti the old horror has been revived. Bishop Cox has flatly accused the Haitian blacks of slaughtering their own children at their annual feasts. That the native mother of the Australian blacks is of the opinion, as some scientists aver, that the "strength taken from her by the fruit of the body is in this manner restored to her body" does not make the act less abhorrent.

INCAS KILLED CHILDREN
In the later stages of the early civilized races, when human sacrifice became an element in religion, and when the cult demanded that

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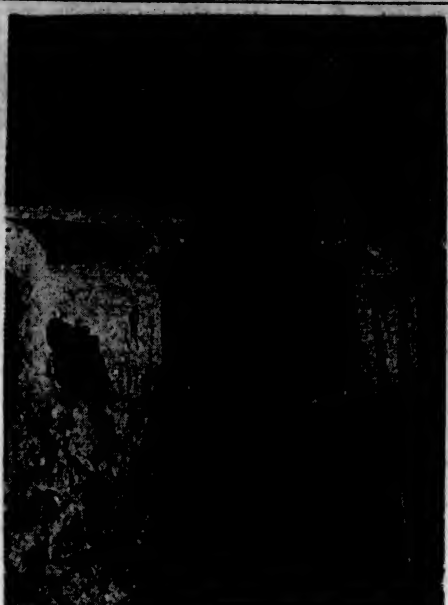
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Excavators Find Relic



EXCAVATORS at the Carmel Mission site, near Monterey, Cal., recently uncovered a large adobe basin which was used at the picture mission by Padre Junipero Serra, founder of the California Missions, and who made his headquarters at Carmel. The Most Rev. Philip G. Scher, Bishop of Monterey and Fresno, is pictured beside the recently-discovered relic of early California days.

magna charta of children. His valuation of personality was a regenerative principle towards their redemption. To him a human life is the greatest thing God has made and dear to the Eternal. Behind the accidents of personality, its color, language, race, sex and intellect, stands the human soul, made in the Divine image and capable of the Divine indwelling. "Neither male nor female, bond nor free, barbarian, Syrian, Jew or Gentile," was Paul's application of the universal truth. The Christian world has added this clause, "neither old nor young."

The child shared in this new universality. As to woman, so to the child the hand of Jesus was stretched. The girl child had suffered most. In a letter not long since dug up from the sands of Egypt, that was written shortly before the birth of Christ, a husband who had gone to Alexandria on a business trip wrote directions to his wife who was expecting a child. "If it is a girl, put it away," Missionaries in China tell sorrowful stories of the unlovely girl baby, often to be cast out onto the garbage heap or sold for slavery or worse.

Christmas and what Christmas means changes all that. Even a moment's survey of the place now given in Christian lands to the child, whether girl or boy, reveals the vast change that has been brought about by the Christian ideal. Society rightly treats Christmas as pre-eminently the festival of the children. And the church rightly finds in the sacredness and worth of the Babe of Bethlehem and in the doctrine of the incarnation, its guarantee of the sacredness and worth of every human life. From this standpoint it works out its sociology, its industrialism, its politics, its business standards, its social concepts, its international ethics.

CHURCH BLAMEWORTHY
That the Christian Church has sometimes failed to possess its Master's attitude is shown by a glance over the history of modern industrialism. Morrie England of the eighteenth century smothered her little chimney sweeps to premature death and set her nine-year-old boys and girls at dragging coal trucks for twelve and fifteen hours of darkness. Parishes shipped their children to be galley slaves in good old Yorkshire and Northern Ireland. Moloch of ancient Mesopotamia had not much over its modern representative. How callous was public opinion is reflected in the comment of Daniel Defoe, certainly a man with an average good heart. He is proud of the new textile industries. "There is scarcely anything of five years' old," says Defoe, "that does not earn its living in the woolen manufacture."

Nor is the twentieth century blameless. Again and again Federal legislation to diminish child labor in certain of the United States of America has been nullified by the decision of the Supreme Court that such legislation belonged to the state. Right up to the verge of the year of our Lord 1934 has this stain upon a nation's honor persisted. Now apparently at long last, the N.R.A. has set the great republic's children free. It is a worthy Christmas gift from the White House executive.

GREAT EATERS IN THE OLDEN DAYS

King Richard the Second Supplied Two Thousand Oxen for Feast

Christmas celebrations of Old England are inextricably interwoven with the earlier Yuletide observance of the Celts, and many of them have a pagan origin.

It was in feudal times, however, that the observance of Christmas, still called the Yule feast, reached its greatest magnificence. Old records tell that King Richard II gave a great Christmas feast at Littlefield in the fourteenth century, at which 2,000 oxen and 200 tons of wine were consumed.

But this monarch was accustomed to entertaining on a grand scale, for every day 10,000 people dined at his expense, and it is said that he employed 2,000 cooks. Those surely were the good old days!

"Has your wife changed very much since you married her?"
"Yes. My habits, my friends and my hours."

SCARLET FORCE FED WITH BEST

Early Christmas Dinners Recalled by Old-Time Members of Mounted

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP).—If you think yours will be a cozy Christmas dinner with the festive board groaning more cheerfully than ever this year, consider the proverbial "good old days" in Alberta.

"Hard times," chuckled Colonel James Walker, one of the few original Northwest Mounted Police still alive, when it was suggested he might have spent some strenuous Yuletides while out "getting his roan." "I always spent Christmas in barracks and fed on the best." He couldn't remember a case of a Mounted Policeman forced to camp on December 25.

EARLIEST CHRISTMAS
From the very beginning of the Mounted's history the fare was of the best. Hear the recalled words of Lewy Watson, who died last year at Slavelly, Alta. "I remember the first Christmas dinner of the Northwest Mounted Police in 1874 (at Kinnowak) was the cook at that time. We had a regular fine time. —a real Christmas. I cooked up nice buffalo steaks and several roast turkeys—yes, we had turkeys brought in from Montana by the traders. Then we had spuds and biscuits and dried fruit, and, of course, plenty of tea to wash it down with."

As the Mounties and other settlers got "squared around" in their new surroundings they soon learned to produce an extraordinary variety of festive fare that contrasts sharply with the conventional turkey and cranberry sauce, followed by plum pudding, that is set on modern tables.

At first the staple dish was likely to be pemmican (dried buffalo meat) or frozen buffalo meat thawed the day before Christmas. Early pioneers were also very fond of frozen whitefish. Pigeon Lake, west of Calgary, was a favorite fishing spot. Alternate layers of fish and snow were packed away in a bin near every homestead and the supply lasted until Spring.

ASSORTED MENU
Later the menu was augmented with black bear, pheasant and wild goose. Turkeys were rather scarce in the earliest days because they had to be imported from the South. How well Albertans looked to their ears at Christmas is illustrated by the bill of fare chiefs were able to set before their guests as early as Christmas Day, 1891.

Former Fire Chief James Smart, known to Albertans as "Cappy," kept the best fighting fire here in 1885 and served for forty-eight years, gives the following selections from the list of dishes served at the old Alberta Hotel that Christmas Day.

Oyster soup, several kinds of potatoes, mutton, chicken, beef, turkey, wild goose, lamb, partridge, haunch of antelope, black bear with brown gravy. "Not a bad meal for a little cow town," comments "Cappy."

FILMS TORTURES TO COMBAT REDS
Chinese Audiences Throng Theatres Where "Thrillers" Are Shown—Famous General Is Producer

SHANGHAI, Dec. 23.—Decapitations and tortures form a large part of the films that are playing to packed houses in China.

These "thrillers" are definitely not a Hollywood product. They are made under the supervision of General Chiang Kai-Shek, famous Chinese soldier, who is now leading a drive against the "Reds" in the Kiangsi Province.

General Chiang knows the interest with which Chinese audiences receive such films, and by catering to the public taste in this connection, he is conducting a very effective anti-Red propaganda. The scenes depict incidents of cold-blooded terror and each film carries the moral that China's troubles are due to the machinations of the Reds during the past six years.

Mainville theatre managers in that part of China where the films are shown, are rubbing their hands with glee and regard General Chiang Kai-Shek as a very successful producer.

THE FESTIVE BIRD OLD INSTITUTION
Turkey Has Graced Christmas Tables for Over Three Centuries

Tradition has it that the first turkey was brought to England by one of Sebastian Cabot's chief lieutenants. This is supported by the fact that William Strickland, who accompanied Cabot on several of his voyages, adopted a turkey rampant as his crest on being granted arms in 1551.

At any rate, the popularity of the turkey the principal item in the Christmas dinner menu has lasted well over 300 years.

But if you think that the little "turkey" has anything to do with the country of that name, you are mistaken. The bird is a native of North America, where it was discovered by the early Spanish navigators.

Exactly how it got its name is a mystery.

GOES BACK TO NATURE FOR TWO-WEEK PERIOD
COLLINGWOOD, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP).—A. F. Staples, Collingwood's man of nature, has entered the bush, where he will spend two weeks sleeping in the open and living on game that he is able to drop. His only companion is "Chink," a chow dog. He left Tuesday, drawing behind him a toboggan on which were the few necessities with which he proposed to exist for a fortnight.

Teacher: "What is a synonym?"
Pupil: "A synonym is a word you use when you can't spell another."

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TO ALL WE WISH
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Prosperous New Year

Priceless Relics Of Biblical Days Found in Armenia

Carveth Wells Meets Descendants of Ancient Crusaders—Sees Rudder Reputedly From Noah's Ark and Cloak Worn by Jesus—Visited Oldest Monastery in the World

MOSCOW.—Carveth Wells, well-known explorer, returned recently from an extensive exploration of the southern portion of the vast Union of Socialist Soviet Republics with still pictures and movies which record the remarkable finds he made in the little-known republic of Armenia, one of the U.S.S.R. nestled in the Caucasus Mountains. Although photographs of the type made by Wells have been banned ever since the advent of Stalin, he succeeded in bringing them out after occupying several months in difficult travel.

PHOTOGRAPHS RELICS

The only reason Wells persuaded the keepers of the relics to have them photographed was that the high anti-religious feeling in the region prompted the inhabitants to have a record made of them before possible destruction. Wells explains further that the fact that these relics have never before been photographed or recorded was caused by the inaccessibility of the region and the reluctance of the Soviet Government to permit pictures of anything within their domain except the celebrated Five-Year Plan.

On the trip to the southern zone of most of Wells' discoveries, the explorer and his wife encountered a race of people believed to be the direct descendants of the ancient Armenians. These men and women still preserve and cherish the armor worn by their forebears in battle. These descendants of the ancient Armenians, Wells says, are Christians, although they never heard of Jesus. Despite the fact that they live in a country where the 200 languages of which are Slav or Tartar, they speak a tongue closely related to that of England in the days of Richard the Lion-Hearted, thus supporting the "Crusaders' theory."

Echmiadzin is the seat of the oldest monastery in the world and contains several priceless Biblical and art relics which were photographed after much persuasion of Archbishop Mesrop. Wells, pointing out the imminent destruction of such a place as the rudder from Noah's Ark was finally permitted to examine and photograph it. He says that what is left of the ark is a piece of reddish petrified wood, in which the grain is plainly visible. It measures 12 x 9 inches and is one inch thick. He also shows the holy spear with which the side of Jesus was pierced by a soldier at the crucifixion.

AT MOUNT ARARAT

Leaving Echmiadzin, Wells pushed on to Mount Ararat where, the Bible tells us, Noah's Ark landed after the flood waters had abated. Lying in the shadow of the mountain is the city of Mitzet, founded by Noah's descendant, and outside of which is the now barren ground which was once the beautiful Garden of Eden. It was in Mitzet that Wells found the ancient Cathedral Church of the Twelve Apostles, and

met Bishop Alexia, keeper of the coat of Jesus. Although the bishop refused to permit Wells to photograph the coat, he did picture the pulpit built over the coat. The bishop showed Wells the Biblical passage which proves the disposition of the garment after the death of the Savior. The Bible tells how, after the soldiers had crucified Christ they "cast lots" for the coat. A Jew, present at the crucifixion, bought the coat from the soldier who had drawn the lot for it, and brought it to his native town, which was Mitzet. Then the Bible tells how the Jew placed the coat on the shoulders of "his sister Sidonia. Immediately Sidonia put on the coat she was struck dead, and was buried in the garment." Years later her body was exhumed and the coat found in perfect condition. It was buried beneath the pulpit about 300 years after the death of Christ.

FINDS ANCIENT RUINS

Traveling further southward Wells came upon some ruins, the existence of which has hitherto been unknown. An inscription in the cuneiform language on the large cracked stone shown in this series, has been translated and placed in the Mitzet period from the twelfth to the seventeenth centuries, B.C. On one of these rock piles is the bold etching of an eagle. One of the last of Wells' discoveries was an original and apparently genuine Rubens painting, "Bacchus," which was found hanging in the museum of Erivan, in Armenia. The existence was unknown until pictures of it were brought back to this country by Wells.

What's New In Bookland

By MARION I. ANOUS

Criticism and Appreciation of the Works of Charles Dickens. M. Dent & Sons, Ltd., by G. K. Chesterton.

Probably no other author's name is more synonymous with Christmas than Charles Dickens. As Chesterton says in his critical remarks on "The Mystery of Christmas," "The mystery of Christmas is in a manner identical with the mystery of Dickens. If we ever adequately explain the one, we may adequately explain the other. Before we come to the question of what Dickens did for Christmas we must explain what Christmas did for Dickens."

Chesterton goes on to explain the difference between Christmas in literature before the advent of Dickens, and how peculiarly Dickens made Christmas his own and defended the right of the individual to happiness. "The happiness," Chesterton goes on to explain, "is not a state; it is a crisis. The romantic and grotesque elements of Christmas are also glorified in Dickens' ideal Christmas and both these qualities are very essential to the joy of humanity. For this reason all Dickens' books are, in Chesterton's opinion, Christmas books, although the "Christmas Carol" is best known in this connection.

In reading these critical essays, one feels that pleasant glow that the sight of old friends arouses. Characters that one has remembered dimly over a space of years spring into vivid life, while other characters, known by name only, awaken a desire for further acquaintance. And, as Chesterton comments, "All who love Dickens have a strange sense that he is inexhaustible. It is this fantastic infinity that divides him even from the strongest and healthiest artists of a later day. From Stevenson for example, I have read 'Treasure Island' twenty times; nevertheless, I know it. But I do not really feel as if I knew all 'Pickwick'; I have not so much read it twenty times as read it a million times; and it almost seemed as if I always read something new."

It is not possible to go into each essay in detail, but all lovers of Dickens will read and enjoy these remarks about their favorite author. In conclusion, one more quotation is apt. "In his appeal," concludes Chesterton, "Dickens has remained

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DURING a journey in Armenia Carveth Wells, well-known explorer, found many priceless relics of Biblical fame. Some of these he was able to photograph and he succeeded in smuggling the pictures out through Russia. At top is the Garden of Eden. Lower left, two descendants of King Richard's Crusaders, showing armor worn hundreds of years ago. Lower right is the spear head said to have been the one which pierced the side of Jesus at the Crucifixion.

alone. The pleasures of the people now have no defender, Radical or Tory. The Tories despise the people. The Radicals despise the pleasures.

The readers of this column are wished a merry and enjoyable Christmas, and happy and prosperous New Year.

COLD WEATHER BRINGING ICE

Mercury Drops as Rain Abates, and Skating Possible This Week

Victoria and Vancouver Island generally can look forward to several days of colder weather. The weather map has taken a complete change. F. Napier Denison, director of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory, announced last night. In the low lying areas, where fields have been flooded, it is possible that skating may be used during the next few days.

Temperatures are exceptionally low in the North and this has caused the high pressure. Rain has abated in Oregon and Washington, besides British Columbia, and the cold wave may extend south to California.

The minimum temperature yesterday was thirty-seven degrees in Victoria, while the maximum was forty-five. After sundown, rain fell, however, the mercury began to drop rapidly. Sub-zero weather accompanied in the Prairies, accompanied with snow.

Many Attend Rites For Hugh Renwick

The funeral of Hugh Ward Renwick took place yesterday afternoon at Christ Church Cathedral, where service was conducted by Dean Qualton. The church was crowded with sympathizing friends. Hymns sung were "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Abide With Me." So numerous were the floral offerings, after covering the casket and hearse, that an extra car had to be used. The following acted as pallbearers: J. M. Leeming, W. Bird, George Lindsay, Basil Ford, George Dyke and A. McBride.

The remains were laid at rest in Royal Oak Burial Park.

FUNERAL RITES TODAY

At the Royal Jubilee Hospital there passed away on Friday, after a lengthy illness, Philip Arthur Taylor, twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Taylor, of Metchoin. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from St. Mary's Church, Metchoin. Rev. H. M. Bolton will officiate and interment will be in the church cemetery. S. J. Curry & Son have charge of funeral arrangements.

He matriculated at Christ Church in 1850, and came into residence a few days before his nineteenth birthday. Never, except for vacation, or the shortest holidays, did he leave it while he lived. At the end of two years he won first-class honors in mathematics; and "his steady and good conduct" caused Mr. Pusey to nominate him as a student (which implied college) in the taking of holy orders. 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Women's Organizations and Activities



Church Services Will Mark Christmas Day

Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran and Other Churches to Celebrate, Monday, Great Christian Festival—Bishop Murray at Pontifical High Mass

In addition to the church services of today, that will in almost every instance be consonant with Christmas, many of the churches will, tomorrow, observe services distinctive of the day. These will include midnight Eucharist and celebration of the Mass tonight, and celebration of the Holy Communion on Monday, with preaching services.

All of the Anglican churches will have Holy Communion on Christmas Day. At Christ Church Cathedral there will be celebrations at 6, 7, 8, 9:15 and 11 o'clock. At the 11 o'clock service, Rt. Rev. C. D. Schofield, Bishop of Columbia, will preach. At St. John's there will be Holy Communion at 8 o'clock, with morning prayer and Holy Communion at 11. The St. Mary's services will include Holy Communion at 6:45, 8, 9:30 and 12 o'clock, with matins and sermon at 11, the anthem to be "On This the Christmas Morn."

TO HOLD COMMUNION

At St. Barnabas there will be celebrations at 8 and 11 o'clock, with sung Eucharist at 11. The celebrations at St. Paul's Naval and Military Church will be at 7, 8 and 10:30 o'clock, with an address by Rev. Alan Gardiner, at 10:30, on "Jesus Christ Amongst Us." St. Saviour's will observe Holy Communion at 8 and 11 o'clock, the latter to be choral with Stainer's setting, and a sermon by Rev. E. M. Willis. The anthem will be "There Were Shepherds" (Vincent), the solo part to be taken by Master W. Stenz.

There will be midnight celebration of the Holy Communion at St.

All Ready for Christmas



Doreen Esther is the Bright Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bull, 522 Dalton Street. She is Fifteen Months Old and is One of the Many Little Victorians Anxiously Awaiting the Arrival of Santa Claus.

The Mass, appropriate carols will be sung by the choir. During the procession, "Ecce Sacerdos Magnus," by Rev. John E. Roman, will be sung.

The other Masses on Christmas Day will be at 8, 9:30 and 11 o'clock. During the last Mass, Christmas carols will be again sung, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the Mass.

OTHER SERVICES

Rev. E. F. Church will conduct a Christmas Day service at Metropolitan Church, at 11 o'clock. A special Christmas morning service will be held at City Temple, at 11 o'clock, at which Dr. Davies will speak on "Christmas, Brute and Beautiful," to be followed by Holy Communion.

At Central Baptist Church, at 11, Rev. J. B. Rowell will preach on "The Songs of Angels and the Eternal Carol."

There will be midnight Eucharist, tonight, at the Liberal Catholic Church, Clara Street, with Holy Eucharist at 11 o'clock on Monday. Grace Lutheran will have a candlelight service at 7 o'clock on Christmas morning.

Clubs-Societies

Lodge Primrose

Lodge Primrose held its banquet on Friday in the S.O.E. Hall, 120 members attending, which was followed by a short meeting, the Worthy President, Sister Gough, in the chair. The evening was spent in a concert, dance and cards, and refreshments were served to the visitors. The programme was as follows: Selections by Mr. John Gough, accompanied by Mrs. John Gough; comic selections by Mrs. Howell; violin solo by Mr. Jeffrey; vocal solo by Mrs. Robinson; comic selections by Mr. Gough. The Christmas tree for the children will be held on Friday in the S.O.E. Hall. Drill practice will be held January 9, at 2 p.m.

Former Victorian to Attend Bal Masque



MISS NORA CORNWALL

Of Vancouver, will arrive in the city on Boxing Day to spend a few days at the guest of Miss Margaret Watson, of Cavendish Avenue. Miss Cornwall, who was a former member of the executive of the Beaux-Arts, will attend the Bal Masque, which is being held at the Empress Hotel.

Qualicum Beach

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Aldous have left for James Island, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. James Doran.

Messrs. Peers Davidson and Thomas, of Buckham, U.B.C. students, are home for the holidays; also William Pinkard, who has been attending school in Victoria.

Mr. W. H. Pomeroy is visiting in Victoria.

The owner of cheap watch brought it into the jeweler's shop to see what could be done for it. "The mistake I made, of course," he admitted, "was in dropping it."

"Well, I don't suppose you could help that," the jeweler remarked. "The mistake you made was in picking it up."



The Unusual Christmas Gift by Frances McKusick

It was cold. About six inches of snow had fallen within the last few days. The stores were gay with their glistening decorations and pretty holiday gifts. The pine and spruce trees on the lawns were shining with many colored electric lights. It would be Christmas in a few days.

John Clair and Gordon Lawson were sitting before the open fire in the New Haven University Club. They were young, good looking and frankly men of leisure.

"I think I shall go to Miami soon," said John Clair, as he fished his pipe. "It's getting cold here now."

"Why don't you stay a while?" asked Gordon. "The season's just started, and there are some very pretty debts this year."

"Women, all you think of is women," said Clair disdainfully. "The two men were silent for a few minutes. Then John said: 'Oh, by the way, Lawson, what you giving the ladies for Christmas?'"

"Why?"

"Oh—just a matter of my feeble but still functioning curiosity."

"For Carmine—a gorgeous dresser set (she's vain); for Leah—a rope of pearls (she has an unusually beautiful throat); for Marie—"

"Stop!" interposed Clair. "Why don't you give her something original—a beautiful shoe tree set, for instance?"

"What are you going to give the darlings for Christmas?" demanded Lawson.

"My dear Lawson," he answered condescendingly, "I am going to

To Be Married Shortly



A WEDDING of interest to many friends in Victoria will take place on Thursday, December 28, when Margaret Isabella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Napier, will become the bride of Mr. Herbert Victor Bartholomew. Mr. and Mrs. Napier will hold a reception in honor of their daughter on Wednesday afternoon at the Empress Hotel.

present a girl with her brother as a gift.

"A brother? Why not a husband?" "That will come later. Shall I tell you the story?"

"Yes, go ahead—if it gets too tiresome I'll let you know."

"Do you remember when I graduated from Yale?" began Clair, "that was about three years ago, I believe, and a notable year, because it was the last time I ever did any work."

Lawson sighed. "Ah—the detailed history of John Clair," he murmured.

"My father died the year after you will recall," continued Clair. "Well, the last year I was at school the family went to Europe and closed the town house. So I rented a flat."

"You were always clever," said Lawson with mock appraisal.

"Strange as it may seem to you, Lawson, I have a hidden talent. I can write. When I was in school I even had aspirations to be a newspaperman."

"I see. This is only about your—"

"There are no women in this narrative."

"Wait a moment. There will be presently. The whole story hangs on the fact that about Christmas time that year I wrote an unusually good English theme. I was about a Russian Christmas."

"Good Lord," ejaculated Lawson, "you've never been to Russia, man."

"I know, but I took the idea from a book, or magazine or something, and rewrote it. Well, the good-hearted proof handed it in to one of the papers, and they published it. How realistic that story was you will understand in a few minutes."

"I hope so."

"Christmas Eve I was coming home rather late from a party, in fact, a series of parties, so it was almost dawn when I let myself in

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ask her to marry me until I had found her brother."

"I understand. You wanted to make her feel indebted to you."

"She is wonderful," he mused, "wonderful."

"The two men smoked in silence for a few minutes. Then a boy brought in the afternoon mail. Clair looked through his until he found a small envelope addressed in large, unusual handwriting.

"An invitation to spend Christmas with Dounia and her brother," he exclaimed, as he tore open the letter.

"May I come, too?" teased Lawson. Clair read:

"Dear Johnnie: I want to thank you many, many times for finding Leo. It has made me very happy, and you were so kind to look for him. But I want to ask your forgiveness for deceiving you, for it wasn't my brother whom you were looking for. It was my husband. He sends his best regards. We both want you to spend Christmas with us. You will come, won't you, Johnnie? Affectionately, Dounia."

PARIS STYLES

By MARY KNIGHT

United Press Staff Correspondent.

PARIS.—Such is the popularity of a certain song hit that the always-up-to-the-minute Italian Parisian couturier, Elsa Schiaparelli, has called her mid-season collection "Stormy Weather." And maybe there is a new dress in it for Ethel Waters!

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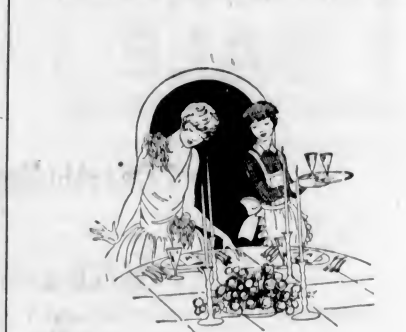
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PERSONAL ITEMS and SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Enchanted Forest Tea Is Enjoyed by Children

About 200 Guests at Empress Hotel Yesterday Afternoon, in Land of Make-Believe, Share Games and Watch Fairies Dance

Scores of children who yesterday afternoon visited the Empress Hotel "Enchanted Forest" tea party found a wonderful new land of make-believe beneath the twinkling stars of evergreen and among the cleverly-planted cedar trees sparkling with colored lights and glittering decorations.

It was a novel idea, this taking of tea with the fairies of the forest, and quite a number of elders joined the party and shared in the fun, nibbling scones and nibbling scones, cake and ice-cream with all the gusto of the young folk who composed the majority of the guests.

At 3:30 o'clock the guests began to arrive, and were ushered into the "Enchanted Forest" parlors, tall Christmas trees hung with tinsel and shining-colored trimmings. Quite within the "Wood" they made ready friends with the fairies and with each other, and spent two delightful hours playing together, tea together, joining hands and dancing "Here we come gathering nuts in May," or watching the bright creatures with star-tipped wings who tripped their way so lightly between the tables.

THE DANCERS

The affair was happily informal for the most part, but play was stopped for a few minutes at intervals for the tap, ballet and buck-and-wing dances by the fairies. The first to appear were the trio in white costumes trimmed with red, and with enormous red hats, ties and cuffs: Velda Wille, Dorothy Welman and Jennifer Hope, who gave a sprightly tap-dance. Later Ethel Gillis, carrying her star-tipped wand, and wearing a ballet dress of white tulle, gave a beautiful pas seul on her toes; and the final number was a smart buck-and-wing tap by Velda Wille, who made a stylish "beau" dressed as a dandy in white and black suit with cane and silk hat. Directed by Miss Florence Clough, and with music by William Tickle's orchestra, all these numbers were delightfully received by the applauding children.

The tea tables were all done with green cloths and little pots of holly, and the festive appearance of the forest reached its maximum when balloons were distributed and inflated by the children.

THE GUESTS

Among the guests noticed were Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Elliott, Miss Grace Elliott, Richard Christie, Pamela and Kerry Christie, Captain and Mrs. K. R. F. Denniston and Betty and Janet Denniston, Mrs. Gay Langton, Miss Hilda Langton, and John and Edward Langton, of New York; Mrs. W. E. Oliver and Alister, Ian and Katrina Gillespie, Captain and Mrs. C. Merdon, and Pam and Anne Merdon; Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. T. D. Pattullo, Mrs. Clifford Collier and Beth and Anne Collier; Mrs. G. W. D. Thurler, Dick, Mrs. John Egan, John Bruce Egan, Mrs. W. P. Balcom, William Pelcom, Mrs. M. Wilkerson; Mrs. G. Hart and Mina Hart, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Campbell, Dorothy Campbell, Joan Austin Lee, Miss D. Crighton, and Marigold Mackenzie, Mrs. Ralph Chisholm, Miss Barbara Grant, Miss K. Horne (Vancouver), Frances and Margaret Liston.

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Social and Personal Notes

Guests at Supper Dance

A large number of guests attended the supper dance in the Empress Hotel ballroom last night. In one party being noticed Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hicks, Misses Pamela Charlewood, Matson, Misses Pamela Charlewood, Barbara, Twigg, Laura Audain, Dallas Homer Dixon, Betty Sechler, Jean Lennox, Eleanor Helmerman, Josephine Rihet, Kathleen Wilson, Helen Campbell, Elizabeth and Florence Ruggles, Magic Fraser, Margaret Gallinger, Elizabeth, Jean and Catherine Macdonald; Paty Henning, Marcia Prior, Geryl McCulloch, Ines Carey, Mary Martin, Pauline Dixon, Lieut. H. N. Lay, R.C.N., and Messrs. Ian Simpson, Robin Dunsmuir, Edward Hope, Ronald, Wattle, Donald Campbell, Logan Mayhew, John Rockingham, Kelly Henning, Lionel Backler, John Charlewood, Edward Winslow, William Lambert, Richard Edgell, Robt. Miller, Graham Lawson, Robert Tye, T. Osborn (Vancouver), Stanley Whitehead, Jack Bryden, Capt. L. Leverin, Lieut. Conway and Lieut. Dyer.

Birthday Party Held

Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Putnam, 2010 Stanley Avenue, gave a birthday party on Friday afternoon for their little daughter, Mary Martin, who was four years old. The tea table was prettily arranged with Christmas colors and a birthday cake with lighted candles. Mrs. A. Armstrong, Mrs. W. Main and Mrs. W. Black assisted in serving tea. The guests were: Mrs. G. Hunter and Alma, Patsy and Ronnie; Mrs. Renouf and Wilma and Maureen; Mrs. B. Burns and James; Mrs. J. S. Hall and Gwen; Mrs. H. W. Agnew and Phyllis; Mrs. W. Main and Shirley; Mrs. A. McPherson and Maxine and Jean; Mrs. F. Massingham and "Pat"; Mrs. S. Benwell and baby Doris; Isabel Hale and Mary Stewart, Charles Putnam, Mrs. Black, and Mrs. C. Cronk.

Shower for Bride-to-Be

In honor of Miss D. Deffy, whose marriage will take place next month, Mrs. C. Freer and Miss E. Ashton entertained at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Freer, Colinton Street. The many useful and dainty gifts were concealed on a prettily decorated Christmas tree, and the arrival of the bride-to-be by little Miss Joan Bradley, invited guests were: Mesdames Deffy, Thomas, Ashton, Bradley, Dunn, Smith, Kitchener, and Misses E. Deffy, A. Hunter, K. Hill, A. Stout, D. Caldwell, W. Tappett, A. Dugan, B. Castley, M. Daniels and D. Thomas.

Interesting Engagement

An interesting engagement has recently been announced in England between Mr. Michael Wilcox Perrin, only son of Dr. William W. Perrin, assistant Bishop of London, formerly Bishop of Columbia, and of Mrs. Perrin, and Miss Nancy May.

Kitty McKay

By NINA WILCOX PUTNAM

Here for Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross, of Vancouver, are spending the Christmas and New Year season in Victoria as the guests of Mrs. Ross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Grump, of Beach Drive.

Visits Solarium

Mr. J. W. Hudson, vice-president of the Queen Alexandra Solarium board of directors, has returned from Mill Bay after attending the annual Christmas entertainment given by the children.

Here from Mainland

Mr. Sydney Powell is over from Vancouver to spend Christmas with his sisters, Mrs. Lang-Hyde and Mrs. Dolg, and will be the guest of Mrs. Dolg, 1999 Lansdowne Road.

At Glenishiel Hotel

Vancouver visitors at the Glenishiel Hotel include Mr. and Mrs. H. Boak and Miss F. Dutton.

At Hatley

Mr. Edward Hope has arrived from McGill University, and is

Spending the holiday season with his grandmother, Mrs. Dunsmuir, at Hatley Park.

Left Yesterday

Mrs. R. E. Innes, of Earl Grey Street, and her daughter, Miss M. Innes, left yesterday afternoon for Vancouver, where they will spend the next few days with friends.

Holidaying Here

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Barclay, of Vancouver, arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas season with Mrs. George Barclay and family, McKenzie Street.

Seattle Visitor

Mrs. G. Humber, of Seattle, will arrive in the city today to spend Christmas with her son-in-law and daughter, G. and Mrs. H. C. Bray, of Wilmer Place.

On Visit to Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. Muir and family, of Vancouver, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Muir, Robertson Street, and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Henry, Craigflower Road.

Holiday Here

Mr. Kenneth Ross, who is senior teacher at the Great Central B.C. school, is spending the holidays with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Lorne Ross, Courtney Street.

To Leave for Honolulu

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Kirby, of Gorge Road, will leave for Honolulu on the S. S. Empress of Japan, sailing on December 30, and expect to be away for two months.

Will Arrive Tomorrow

Miss V. Roche, of Seattle, will arrive in the city tomorrow afternoon to spend the Christmas holiday with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Oates, of Woodlawn Crescent.

From Nanose Bay

Miss Jean E. Campbell, of Nanose Bay, is spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Campbell, 1420 Point Street.

From Everett, Wash.

Captain and Mrs. R. G. Mathews, of Everett, Wash., are visiting Major and Mrs. George, Dallas Road, for the Christmas holidays.

Christmas Card Party Is Success

The card party and dance sponsored by the Mount View High School Parent-Teacher Association, on December 20, was the best of the year. Under the able management of Mr. W. Lyman, assisted by Mr. W. Garner, principal of the high school, the twenty-four games were keenly contested, and four ladies qualified for the first prize with high scores.

In the deciding draw, Mrs. V. S. McLachlan secured the magnificent first-prize turkey; the second prize went to Mrs. G. A. Aldridge, and the third to Mrs. F. Kyle, while Messrs. E. Harman, A. Longland, and R. Fordard won the men's prizes. Consolation prizes were awarded to Mrs. E. Kirchin and Mr. E. Exton.

Dancing was enjoyed by about 150 guests, and spot dancing prizes were won by Miss P. Clark and Mrs. W. Williams. A particularly happy incident of the dancing was the arrival of a large party from the Mount Douglas dance, where the lights had failed. The newcomers were warmly welcomed, and finished their dance with great enjoyment.

The turkey contest prizes were won by Miss Rita Norris, and Mr. David Randall became the happy possessor of the Christmas cake.

The Parent-Teacher Association is gratified to record that as a result of their four entertainments, held recently, a donation of \$150—clear profit has been made to the Saanich School Board towards the fund for the improvement of the Mount View High School playing fields. In order to raise the \$100 still outstanding of their promised \$250, the first party of the New Year will be held on January 3, when it is hoped that there will be the usual good attendance.

Weddings

COOPER-JOHNSON

The wedding of William Frank Cooper, of Los Angeles, and Amy Violet Johnson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Washington Avenue, Victoria, was solemnized on December 2 at Los Angeles. The ceremony took place in the Spanish living-room of their own home. The double-ring ceremony was used and Rev. Mr. Woodside officiated.

The bride wore a white angel-skin lace wedding dress, short white chiffon velvet jacket, skull cap of shaded chiffon velvet rose petals with a short white veil, her accessories being flash colored, a corsage of roses and sweet peas. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Cooper, the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Chandler, Mrs. P. C. Erb, Miss Gagnon, superintendent of Y.W.C.A., where the bride had resided for three years.

A short honeymoon was spent at Big Bear Lake, where winter sports were enjoyed.

HENSON-GOODMAN

A quiet wedding was solemnized last evening at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. W. McHaffie, Saanich, between Kathleen, daughter of Mr. T. Goodman, Victoria, and of Mrs. Goodman, Victoria.

What Is It All About?

The thought of his first Christmas is a bit perplexing to Thomas George Hayes, ten-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Hayes, of Liverpool, England, and of Mr. and Mrs. George Hick, of Lake Hill, Saanich.

THE grand march will take place at 9 o'clock, leading the way to the dining-room. After 9 the adults will be entitled to dance.

Again very attractive prizes are being offered for the best children's costumes as follows: For best costume, boy and girl, under six years of age; for best costume, boy and girl, to sixteen years, and for most comic costume, boy and girl.

Miss Maryann Peterson, who on two occasions has won the grand aggregate for the Pacific Coast in Highland dancing, will contribute solo dances, including the sword dance and the Seann Triubhas. Tables may be reserved for the children's supper, and other information may be had by telephoning E 0890 and E 0923. Tickets may be obtained from the Owl drug store, Campbell Building, Hibben-Diggon Co., and the Empress Hotel.

ESQUIMALT

The Esquimalt W.I. will hold another card game on Thursday, December 28, at the home of Mrs. J. Kelly, 1357 Esquimalt Road, at 8:15 p.m. Bridge and court whist will be played, and refreshments will be served.

FINCHAM-DE MARCO

Mr. Reginald Fincham, of Winnipeg, who is now on the wireless staff of the H.M.S. Vancouver, and Miss Eunice de Marco were married at noon, yesterday, at a ceremony performed by Sheriff Goggin, at the Courthouse.

Mrs. Felina F. Jones, and Jack

Merry Christmas

Deep from the bottom of our hearts we wish our friends all that Christmas could possibly bring them in peace, contentment, prosperity and happiness.

Mallek's

1212 DOUGLAS STREET

This Store Will Be CLOSED ON BOXING DAY

But Starting

WEDNESDAY

Our Sensational

End-of-Season SALE

Will Offer the Biggest Bargains This City Has Ever Seen!

Mallek's

LIMITED

READY-TO-WEAR AND FURS

1212 Douglas Street Phone E 1625

Hutton, of the Canadian Navy, Esquimalt, supported the bride couple.

The bride wore a dress of black silk, trimmed with silver, and a bridal bouquet as she appeared for the ceremony.

Girls, coming out of nearby office buildings, joined in expressing best wishes when they saw the bridal couple emerge from the Courthouse and enter the motor car bedecked with white streamers and waiting at the curb with its driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Fincham left, yesterday afternoon, for a honeymoon on the Mainland. Upon their return, the bride will take up her residence at 715 Courtney Street, during the absence of the bridegroom, who will be away from Victoria on a four-months' winter training cruise in southern waters on the destroyer.

Upon his return in the Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Fincham will take up residence in Victoria.

FITZ-FINUCANE

A marriage took place quietly on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at St. John's Church, Rev. Canon Chadwick officiating, between Ellen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Finucane, 418 Linden Avenue, and Mr. John Fitz, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fitz, of Cornwall, England. The bride wore a brown coat with hat to match and a corsage of orange blossoms and carried

an arm bouquet of white flowers. A small reception was held later at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Fitz will make their home on Gladstone Avenue.

WHITE-INKSTER

NANAIMO, Dec. 23.—Marie Ann Inkster, daughter of Alderman Peter Inkster and Mrs. Inkster, of this city, and Mr. John Whyte, of Vancouver, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Whyte, well-known residents of Nanaimo, were married tonight by Rev. W. P. Bunt in St. Andrew's United Church manse.

DANCE AT YACHT CLUB

Mrs. C. R. Schaffr is arranging a subscription dance for New Year's night, January 1, at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. Dancing will continue from 9 until 1 o'clock and a popular orchestra will supply the music. A sit-down supper will be served. The proceeds will be devoted to charity and tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Schaffr, Garden 4729.

Maybe I'm wrong, but this talk about ill-gotten wealth and money-changers in the temple sounds a little envious and wistful to me. But why should Providence bother to make us prosperous when prosperity always makes us forget Providence?

NEW SHOWING!

HEEL-HUGGER SHOES FOR WOMEN

WM. CATHCART & CO. LTD.

1106 Douglas Street Phone G 6111

Peace on Earth Good Will to All Men!

To the public of Victoria, we extend our heartiest wishes for a Joyful Christmas and a New Year replete with Happiness and Prosperity.

STORE CLOSED BOXING DAY

Standard Furniture Co.

TALES TOLD ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Memories of Old West Recalled by Early Settlers Around Tree

MIDDLEBURY, Man. Dec. 23 (CP).—Tense excitement prevails here, as in countless other homes throughout the world, gleams with lights and time is hushed with gifts. All is bustle and confusion as more than 100 "just kids" hurry to see what Santa has brought. It is Christmas Day in the Old Polk's Home.

Smiles wreath the faces of these "youngsters," most of whom in years gone by played Santa to their own children and grand-children as they gathered round the tree. The customary peace of this quiet retreat for those who have passed their allotted threescore years and ten is shattered.

Many of the guests hearing the end of the tale helped to make the story when the West was young; came to Winnipeg, ten miles from here, when it was only a village, before there was a railroad. They could tell many an anecdote of the old days in the West, and a tragic tale, too, if they wished. But they are reluctant to tell.

The home to them is not an institution. It is a welcome haven wherein they pass the declining years of life. Past buffeting of fate have led to forgetfulness within its walls amid a cheerful and "homey" atmosphere. Few rules bind them, and they run their little sphere as once they did their own homes.

Chuckling, a spry "member" who came to the West almost half a century ago, but who did not look his more than eighty years, explained his distrust of journalists. Once before, he said, he was interviewed. His interviewer then was a charming lady reporter, "a novelty in those days." But with her departure, he added, also went his wish.

OLD ELECTION FIGHTS

Pierce political battles have been fought within these walls, election fights of past days. A hardy "Grit" of seventy-six summers told how he once ran for Parliament and how, confined to bed with a broken leg, he was forced to campaign from his home to all who would come and listen.

"I didn't win, but I came pretty close," he said, glowering at a "rank Tory," an opponent of many years standing, in the opposite easy-chair. For years these two, cronies in everything but politics, have waged unending armchair political warfare, interrupted by reminiscences of the "old days."

Santa has forgotten none of them. Each has received something from the tree, and happiness reigns over all. A huge Christmas dinner awaits, with bundles of "crackers" to be burst. Later, perhaps, an old friend or two will drop in to complete the day, and then early to bed, to await with anticipation next year's Christmas.

RUN RUNNER FINED

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—A fine of \$250 and a six-month suspended sentence were imposed on Paul Hedner, farmer, of Roseville, who voluntarily returned recently to Montana to face a charge of bribing United States customs officers in connection with the alleged running, four years ago, of liquor across the British Columbia-Montana border.

The dance music stopped and the couples began to drift off the floor. A young man who had danced on his partner's feet most of the time escorted the fair young thing to a seat.

"Jove," he exclaimed joyously, "Doesn't that make you wish for another?"

"Yes, indeed it does," she replied, cooly, "but he couldn't come to-night."

CULBERTSON on CONTRACT

By Ely Culbertson

World's Champion Player and Greatest Card Analyst

ENLISTING THE ENEMY'S CO-OPERATION

Quite frequently, soundly bid hands are wrecked on the rocks of distribution. Despite the fact that, however, Declarer may still have a play to make the hand, provided he can get the opponents to slip ever so slightly, by the fact that he played in the semi-final round of the recent Vanderbilt Cup tournament, North and South were bidding is accounted for by the fact that they were slightly behind and felt that desperate efforts were needed to regain lost ground. How well they succeeded is seen below:

South dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

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Who Wins the Baby Derby?

PRIZES



Greetings to the First
Arrival of 1934 . . .



For the
**January
Baby**

We Donate a
**Cosy, Pink
Chinchilla
Topcoat**

OUR BABYWEAR DEPARTMENT

Is stocked with every comfort and necessity you may need for baby, and a very complete choice.

When you're still kicking—a soft shawl wrapped around does much to keep you warm! Mother knows endless uses for these—36 inches square. Fine silk and wool and all white. Price

\$2.50

These Cosy Crocheted Jackets keep you warm, even as you wave wildly. In white with pink or blue—and all wool. Each

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Extra warm because it's double knit, a "Matinee" Coat with "doggy" appliques is very much in demand. Pink, blue or white. Each

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English Imported Pure Wool Sweater Coats are an exceedingly fine knit. Trimmed with pearl buttons and embroidery. White, blue, pink or maize. Each

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When in Doubt See Your Doctor

And when he orders anything for Baby's health and comfort—you may depend on us giving you the best of everything. Wishing health and happiness to the first Victoria born of 1934. Call in for complimentary gift.

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the First Baby
of 1934

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Street

Phone
G 3821

The first baby of the New Year, whose parents live in Victoria, Oak Bay, Esquimalt or Saanich, will be the recipient of especial honor. The following merchants have donated these handsome prizes to the first baby to be born in 1934.

The baby's name, together with the date and hour of birth and a copy of the doctor's certificate, must be handed into The Colonist Office, Advertising Department, not later than January 12. The parents will then be authorized to call at the different stores for the prizes.

DICK'S Drygoods Store

Will Give Mother
a Silk Dress

Don't forget whether
you are a mother or
not, when you think
of silk dresses, you al-
ways think of

DICK'S

1421 Douglas Street
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We have great pleasure in
awarding the first baby of 1934,
a beautiful christening robe and
slip to match, also a baby's rec-
ord book.



I Bring Them.
Fowler's Cloth Them

We Specialize in
**Babies' and Children's
Wear**

Bassinets, Crib Blankets and Covers, Pillows and Slips,
Dresses, Hand-Made Jackets and Bonnets, etc. Also a complete
line of baby essentials—Brush and Comb Sets, Rattles, Teethers,
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Babies' and Children's Wear

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To the First Baby Born in 1934

WE PRESENT A
HANDSOME
COLONIAL BOUQUET

This gift is a token of welcome from a firm
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Brown's Victoria Nurseries, Ltd.

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Phone G 6612



To Welcome the
First Baby Born
in 1934

We Will Give a Child's Mug

We Carry a Wide Line of Distinctive
Silverware

**WILKERSON'S
JEWELRY STORE**

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Phone G 4712



It Will
Be a
Girl

To Our Customers . . .
A Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year. We thank
you for your kind patronage.

**Jameson's
Electrical, Ltd.**

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Born in 1934

In Greater Victoria

As soon as you are old enough we want you
and mother to pay a visit to our Babywear
Department, when we will ask you to accept
with our compliments a little three-piece
Woollen Suit, which we know you will like!



We know all mothers will adore the tiny
garments which we have on display in
our Babywear Section, and are sure that
the tiny customers will coo and gurgle
with delighted comfort when they are
outfitted by us!

Second Floor—H B C

A Set of
**Baby
Scales**

Our Gift to the First
Baby of 1934

It is so important to know
what baby weighs. These
scales will tell you exactly,
because they are graduated
in ounces. Of course, they
can be used for general
household purposes as well.



POPULAR PRICED HARDWARE
AT THE SIGN
OF THE BIG HAMMER

HATT'S

HARDWARE

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Girber's Baby Foods

(Strained Vegetables, Prunes, Etc.)

New Low Price, 10c Per Tin

We Present to the First 1934 Baby Half Dozen Tins of
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Our Entire Personnel Joins
in Wishing You a
Joyous Yuletide

BERT WAUDE
HAIRDRESSING
709 FORT ST.

**CLOSED BOXING
DAY**

Owing to the rush of business dur-
ing the Christmas season, and the
consequent strain upon our opera-
tors, we will be closed Boxing Day.

E. E. Heath
REAL ESTATE and INSURANCE
615 Yates Street Victoria, B.C.



TO YOU, to whom
we have been privi-
leged to extend our
service . . . to all
our friends we offer
our most cordial
wishes for an enjoy-
able Christmas and a
very Prosperous New
Year.

From
E. E. HEATH
and STAFF



In Which the Old Friends
Wish You a Merry, Merry
Christmas

These Victoria Merchants and Business Houses take this opportunity of
wishing you, one and all, health, happiness and joy for the festive Christmas
Season. They also express their gratitude for the loyal patronage and sup-
port they have received during the past year.



**Yuletide
Greetings**

Victoria's only exclusive
Fur Store extends hearti-
est greetings and wishes
for a Merry Christmas.

**Foster's
Fur Store**
753 YATES ST.



For 15 seasons we have greeted
our friends, and again the old
words ring true—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Old British Fish and Chips
1316 BROAD ST.



The Compliments of the Season
From the

Square Deal Shoe Repairs
J. MANTON, Prop.
1224 Broad Street

JAMESON MOTORS LIMITED

and the
STUDEBAKER CORP. OF CANADA
Join in

Wishing Everyone
A Very Merry Christmas
A Happy and
Prosperous New Year

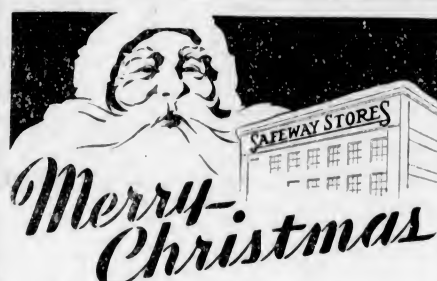
and invite you to tune in on the Columbia Network, Station KOL, at
1270 kilocycles, and KVI, at 350 kilocycles, at 11:30 and 12:30 CHRISTMAS
MORNING for the STUDEBAKER COLOSSAL BROADCAST.



May the Day Hold a Wealth of Good
Cheer for You
**The Capital Shoe
Repairing Depot**
A. J. WAKEMAN, Prop.
800 Fort Street



To all of you, our friends and patrons,
we wish a Very Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year.
BEATTY WASHER STORE
1607 Douglas Street Phone G 7511



To Our Patrons and Friends.

On this, our Second Yuletide in
Victoria, we wish to express our
appreciation of the generous sup-
port we have received. To our
good wishes, we add a renewed
pledge of quality and value through-
out the coming year.

SAFeway STORES



For a Merry Christmas

It is our desire that we might personally
wish all of you a Merry Christmas. That
being impossible, we take this means to ex-
tend to you the holiday cheer we feel.

ENGLISH BAKERY

726 Fort Street Phone E 9743
R. H. WOODS and A. J. STROOD
PROPRIETORS



**SEASON'S
GREETINGS**

To Our Patrons and Friends

As another Christmas rolls around we look back on many
pleasant years of business association with you and send you
our sincerest wishes for a Happy Christmas.

Christmas Dinner, \$1.00

Children, 50c

Turkey, Goose or Duck

At the request of many of our patrons we are giving this
special Christmas Dinner Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.
11 A.M. to 9 P.M.

POODLE DOG CAFE

615 Yates Street Open Day and Night



To Our Many Friends and
Customers We Wish

A Merry Christmas
And a Prosperous
New Year

J. BETHELL

Ideal Meat Market

1314 Douglas Street Phone G 4187



We extend heartiest wishes for a
happy Xmas Season to all our
customers and friends, and we cordially
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ISLAND GIRL

by FRANK R. ADAMS



CHAPTER I

"You might adopt an orphan," Vernon Mabe's friend suggested. "That is, of course, if you don't want to have one of your own."

"The trouble with having an orphan of your own is that you don't live to enjoy it," Vernon pointed out. "As a suggestion, Dodd, you've got two flat tires and a broken motor."

"Well, you asked for advice on what to do with your useless wealth and I met with the usual treatment given to those who offer their services gratis. All I get is a gibe and a jape. But I'm long suffering and generous. In spite of your ill-timed levity I will go on and elaborate my costly suggestion. Don't adopt just an ordinary orphan. Adopt a girl orphan, and when she grows up a little she'll get rid of your money fast enough. Now, last week Mabel bought a fur coat and two hats to go with it and—"

"Hush, Dodd, I don't want to hear your grousing about your wife's expense account."

"That's what she says. But I've got to talk to somebody about it. Besides I was only offering it to your attention as a suggestion for your own consideration. One woman in the home solves the problem of keeping the family finances in circulation. Pass your cigarettes. Thanks. Why don't you buy a good brand? You know I dislike these."

Dodd Speed may have continued talking after that. Vernon did not pay any attention. One woman in the home solves the problem of keeping the family finances in circulation. Pass your cigarettes. Thanks. Why don't you buy a good brand? You know I dislike these."

He was the first of the Mabees who had been too wealthy to have been soldiers, ministers, attorneys, miners, engineers, adventurers, all useful or at least active. Vernon's father had an especial kind of glue on his fingers. Money stuck to him, gathered around him asking to marry a wealthy girl whose fortune he refused to touch until he had amassed an equal one on his own hook. The two inheritances together, for his parents were both dead, made Vernon the master of an amount of money seldom dreamed of by any outside of bootlegging circles.

And then besides, as is usually the case with very wealthy men, there was the matter of romance. None had ever yet crossed Vernon's path. Affairs, yes, but love, no. He doubted if there was such a thing, but he felt the need of something in his life to make it complete. And he wanted it to be something that he had wrested from an unwilling world by his two hands, or words to that effect. He craved opposition. Up to the time of writing he had not had any worth mentioning. There was no use of having so much peace and comfort until a man was at least seventy.

He had thought some of abandoning his identity and going West to become a cow-puncher or a hobo, as circumstances might indicate, but he was not a good enough actor to do such a thing seriously. You couldn't really get much of a kick out of hardship that you might end up by sending a collect telegram to your fiscal agent. There had to be some incentive for a man to get any benefit out of the uses of adversity. Vernon had an idea that

chaps in stories who relinquished their homes, clubs and all creature comforts to start out on an indefinite search for adventure were lacking a sense of humor. For an adventure to be real it had to be one in which you had to win, when failure meant the loss of everything you had—perhaps even life. There's zest to the last throw of the dice, but who gets much fun out of risking a white chip when you've got hundreds of blue and yellow ones

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THISTLES AND CITY WIN COAST LEAGUE FIXTURES

Maple Leafs Smother Maroons Before 13,000 Fans at Toronto Stadium

Queen City Icemen Whip Montrealers By Score of 8 to 2

Leafs Go on Scoring Rampage in Wide Open Game—Canadiens Shut Out Detroit Wings 3-0—Black Hawks Trim Bruins 3-1 Before Smallest Crowd of Season

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—The group-leading Toronto Maple Leafs gave a pre-Christmas crowd of 13,000 a thrill tonight by defeating Montreal Maroons, 8-2, in a wide open National Hockey League game in which Maroons tried vainly to match the Leafs in speed.

Eddie Gerard's team set out from the first to keep proceedings moving, and never had the passing polish and finish of the younger, faster Leafs.

Dave Trotter sent Maroons into the lead with an early first-period goal, but it was a helpless Montreal team thereafter. Charlie Conacher and Andy Blair scored for Toronto before the period ended, and Ken Doraty and Conacher added tallies in the second session.

The Leafs ran wide in the third period play, Hollett, Conacher, and Eddie Gerard counting, while Hooley Smith scored the second Maroon goal. Leafs played brilliantly in every period, outskating Maroons by a wide margin. Kerr played soundly in the Montreal goal, the only easy goal against him coming when he pulled in Hollett's shot.

First Period: 1, Maroons, Trotter, 7:13; 2, Toronto, Conacher, 9:57; 3, Toronto, Blair, 14:08. Second Period: 4, Toronto, Doraty, 5:20; 5, Toronto, 10:28. Third Period: 6, Toronto, Day, 3:17; 7, Toronto, Hollett, 8:31; 8, Maroons, Smith, 10:54; 9, Toronto, Conacher, 16:40; 10, Toronto, Primeau, 17:29.

CANADIENS TRIM WINGS
MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—With Aurel Joliat, attack, and W. Cude, Syracuse goal tender, who substituted in the Canadiens' net for Lorne Chabot, ill with flu, turning in a marvelous performance to gain a shutout, Montreal Canadiens blanked Detroit Red Wings, 3-0, before a crowd of 5,000 fans here tonight. Detroit, by the loss, dropped back to second place in the American section of the National Hockey League, a single point behind Chicago Hawks, and Canadiens consolidated their second position in the Canadian section. Cude gave a brilliant display to blank the Wings. Time and again he made wonderful saves off Red Wing snipers, and Joliat, after a brilliant display to blank the Canadiens' defense, in the first period alone he made twelve saves, a large number from directly in front of the net. Cude's work was only overshadowed by that of Aurel Joliat, veteran Canadian left-winger, on the attack. The mite forward turned in one of his finest games of the season on local ice, to earn a goal and an assist.

Play was scoreless until thirteen minutes after the start of the second period, when Sammy Godin, on Joliat's pass, slipped the puck through a maze of legs in front of the Detroit net and landed directly on Godin's stick. The rookie winger made no mistake with his shot. Wings was serving time in the penalty box at the time.

Joliat Scores
Four minutes after the start of the final period, Joliat, notched the second Canadian tally, when he broke up a four-man Detroit attack at his own defense and burned a bullet drive to net Roach as Frank Carson moved to check him. Roach had no chance on the shot, which sped over his shoulder before he could move to stop it. With but thirty seconds remaining to play, Howie Morens grabbed the puck at his own blue line and broke clear with only Roach to beat. Giving a flash of his old-time speed, the veteran centre sped down the boards, faked a shot, and then burned one into the opposite corner to clinch the game for the Montrealers. Detroit sent five men on the attack but Cude was unbeatable.

Jack Portland, Collinswood all-round athlete, who was signed by Canadiens two days ago, and who was making his first appearance as a professional, played a fair game the few minutes he was on the ice in the first period. Only hard luck robbed him of a goal as the puck hopped his stick when he had only

Australian Net Team Wins From England 8 to 4
BRISBANE, Australia, Dec. 23 (CP).—Australian tennis stars wallowed the touring band of crack English players by eight matches to four, in the test series which concluded here today. In the first test matches, England was victor.

In addition to taking the rubber, the Australians had the satisfaction of seeing brilliant young Vivian McGrath yesterday beat Fred Perry two sets to one.

During Maple Leaf-Bruin Game at Boston



HERE is the scene at the Boston Arena after Eddie Shore, Bruin defence star, whose home is in Edmonton, had knocked "Ace" Bailey, of Toronto, to the ice and had himself been knocked to the ice by a blow from the fist of "Red" Horner, of the Leafs. Shore is seen in the foreground lying on the ice unconscious, with the Boston trainer bending over him. "Red" Horner is at the far end of the ice with a group of players, just back of Bailey, who is seen on the ice with two Toronto players bending over him. Conny Smythe, Leaf manager, rushes out on the ice as King Clancy rushes off for aid. Bailey now lies gravely injured in a Boston hospital, suffering a fractured skull. His hockey career is believed ended as a result of the injury, while his life now hangs in the balance. Shore also was seriously injured. The whole fracas has caused a sensation in sport circles, and Conny Smythe states that his team will not take the ice against any team on which Shore plays. This statement, however, followed one in which he stated that Shore could hardly be blamed for the accident. Smythe himself was involved in a fight with a Boston fan and was arrested and charged with assault by the police.

ROSSLAND WINS FROM NELSON

Capture First Game by 3 to 2 Score After Speedy Exhibition Trail

NELSON, Dec. 23 (CP).—Rossland had broken into the win column in the West Kootenay Hockey League today, after defeating Nelson, 3-2, in a speedy encounter on Trail's artificial ice last night. There was no ice available in either Nelson or Rossland and neither team had much practice before the game.

Rosland took a two-goal lead in the first period when Morris and Lophchuk scored. Nelson got one in the second through O'Genaki, and against Loughran, on February 22. Davidson scored for Rossland.

Bailey's Progress Continuing Daily Physicians State

Irvin (Ace) Bailey's progress toward recovery continuing today. Bailey was injured when he collided with Eddie Shore, Boston Bruins defense star, during the Bruins-Maple Leafs game at the Boston Garden, December 12.

Nelson added its second in the third when Bannister scored. Rosland's win puts them at the league top with a win and no losses, with Trail and Kimberley tied for second place with a win and a loss apiece.

ROYALS NOSE OUT N. SHORE UNITED 1-0

Westminster Eleven Captures Inter-City Soccer League Fixture

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Westminster Royals won the opening game of the new Inter-City Soccer League, here, today, by defeating North Shore United, 1-0.

Coulter hit the post in the first minute and Edy shot the rebound over the bar. Pamphlet made a thrilling save when Turner shot from fifteen yards and went to his stop another hard hit from the same player who was right through the defence. At half time there was no score.

Pamphlet made many beautiful saves in the second period also, stopping shots from all directions, but was beaten when McKibbin shot down the field and Watson took it in the air and flicked it past him. Sanford also played a good game in goal for the Royals, but was not called upon as often as Pamphlet. Near the end of the last half United set up a series of desperate attacks, but Royals' defence held firm and averted a tying goal.

NEW SWIMMING CLASSES SET

Non-Qualifiers in Colonist Campaign to Be Given Additional Tuition

There is good news for those children who, when entered in The Daily Colonist "Learn to Swim" campaign, failed to qualify for one of the handsome diplomas issued to those who passed the elementary tests. Through the co-operation of the Crystal Garden management, where the six weeks' free swimming course was held between October 16 and November 24, additional classes have been arranged, allowing children, registered in the swim campaign and who attended four or more classes previously, to take further instruction every Tuesday afternoon, boys at 4 and girls at 4:30. In this way they will be able to qualify for a diploma.

A. H. Cowlishaw, manager of the Crystal Garden, under whose supervision The Colonist swim campaign has been carried out, stressed the need for every child to keep his or her original registration card to the Crystal Garden office. This will allow the officials to refer to the complete individual record kept of the progress of the pupils.

The classes will be conducted under the instruction of Fred and Mary Ellison, and it is expected that every youngster who did not previously pass will take advantage of this opportunity.

Invitation Golf Will Be Played at Uplands Wednesday

THE seventh annual Yuletide invitation golf meet will be played at the Uplands Golf Club Wednesday. The competition will be over eighteen holes on full handicap, and is attracting a large field. Rounds may be played either in the afternoon or evening.

DON BUDGE RANKED TOP

Oakland Star Given Top Place Among Juniors in U.S. Tennis

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Indicating that America's future tennis strength lies in the Far West, the United States Lawn Tennis Association today rated the young players from the Pacific Coast, the class of the junior boys' and girls' singles, in announcing the rankings for 1933. The ratings will be submitted for approval to the annual meeting in Pittsburgh February 16.

Primo Carnera Arrives Home From U.S. Trip

GENOA, Italy, Dec. 23 (AP).—Primo Carnera, Italy's man mountain pride of the boxing ring, arrived from New York today. He made a hurry-up journey there to testify in a legal suit. Carnera proceeded directly from Genoa to Sequals to spend Christmas with his family.

A lecturer who advocates the training of men and women for matrimony expresses the opinion that the training cannot begin too early.

Annual Swim, Two Soccer Matches and Basketball Game Set

BESIDES the important McKennie Cup Rugby fixture carded at the Royal Athletic Park Tuesday afternoon, the annual Christmas Day swim, two Coast League soccer matches and the inter-city basketball battle between Blue Ribbons and Varsity are on the sports programme over the holiday. Tomorrow morning, at 10:30 o'clock, the city's best swimmers will plunge into the Inner Harbor for the fifty-yard handicap race, while Tuesday night at the High School Gymnasium, the basketball teams will do battle. Soccer fans will also be looked after tomorrow, with Esquimalt facing Victoria City in the second division at 1 o'clock, and Saanich Thistles and Victoria West in the first division at 2:30 o'clock.

SUBURBAN XI TURNS BACK WESTS 4 TO 1; ESQUIMALT BLANKED

Saanich Footballers Halt Winning Streak of Greenshirts in Fast Exhibition—Mail Scores Pair of Goals—Borde and Price Tally—City Surprises by 2-0 Win Over Dockers

LEAGUE STANDING	L	D	F	A	P
Saanich Thistles	2	1	0	9	4
Victoria West	2	1	0	10	7
Victoria City	1	2	0	5	7
Esquimalt	1	2	0	5	2

Santa Claus arrived in the camp of the Saanich Thistles and Victoria City soccer elevens yesterday afternoon and presented Managers Jack Price and Bert Weatherall with two neat presents in the form of victories over Victoria City West and Esquimalt, respectively. The suburbanites handed the greenshirts their first defeat in the second half schedule by a 4 to 1 score, at lower Beacon Hill Park, while the City blanked Esquimalt, first half champions, at Heywood Avenue, 2 to 0. The decisions served to tighten up the league race, placing the Thistles in a tie for top place with the Wests, and Esquimalt and City deadlocked for next position.

Both games were fast, especially the encounter at the Hill, and the brand of soccer was very fair, considering the teams have been out of action for the past fortnight. The Thistles played good ball in conquering the Wests, jumping at every opportunity offered them. To be fair, the greenshirts marched on the field minus three of their regulars, including Alf Hood, goalie; Roy Barnes and Storey, two regular halfbacks. Victoria City banged in a goal in each half to trim the dockers.

WESTS OPEN SCORE
Kicking down the slope, and with the Thistles short-handed, the Wests went on an offensive from the opening whistle. Several dangerous rushes were engineered, but the fine kicking of Gibbons and Esler averted early scoring. Thistles were away on a fast break, but Morgan missed up a fine cross from Borde and play swung back to the other end. "Scotty" Robinson, clever centre forward, drew first blood for the greenshirts when he tricked Esler, continued in fast to beat Rowe with a well-directed shot to the corner.

Right after the centre, Borde went through on a neat pass from Price, but narrowly missed from a difficult angle, the ball just skimming the crossbar. Staying with offensive methods, Morgan drove in a long cross from the wing, but Griffith cleared. At this stage, Joe Crowe came on in place of Armitage for the Saanich half line. After twenty-five minutes, the Thistles got a pretty combination rush and Mail scored a beautiful marker. Price and Borde figured prominently in the attack, the latter tapping the ball to Mail right near the goal.

Fred Price nearly broke the tie, but missed with a first-timer from the corner. Esler, who usually plays on the attack, but soon revived. Coming right after with another well-engineered attack, the Thistles continued to worry their opponents in the back division. Griffith threw one clear, and Borde was whistled off-side with a fine chance to score. Half-time arrived with the score still the same.

From the start of the second half, the Thistles pressed hard. George Leggett, who usually plays on the rear rank, went in the game at inside left in place of Borde, a move the Thistles' board of strategy figured would upset the Wests' back division. It worked too, as the Saanich lads scored, and then pulled off Leggett and rushed in Borde. However, before the goal came, some exciting moments were witnessed. Robinson just about tallied, missing with a great attempt from well out, while Rowe went to ground to smother the ball during a rush and play was halted and the ball bounced in the goalmouth. Nothing happened, as Crowe cleared to the side.

BREAKS TIE
Mail had tough when his hard drive hit the bar, Okell clearing as the ball came back. At the other end, Gibbons saved the situation by booting one over his own bar for a corner. Fred Price started the Thistles on a scoring spree by taking

the ball from Morgan to beat Griffith with a hooked shot to the corner. Not long after, Borde headed in their third goal on a long floater to the goal area from Price, and just before the end, Mail finished up the scoring by banging one to the corner, well out of Griffith's reach.

Robb refereed and teams followed: Saanich Thistles—Rowe, Gibbons, Esler, Williams, Viggers, Armitage, Stoffer, Price, Mail, Borde, Morgan and Crowe.

Victoria West—Griffith, Thompson, Okell, Wright, Peers, Cockin, Gibbons, Muirgrave, Robinson, Betheridge and Youson.

DOCKERS GO UNDER
At the Heywood Avenue grounds, Victoria City defeated Esquimalt in a very ragged game by a score of 3-0. The ground was not in the best of condition and during most of the game the players were more concerned in keeping their feet from turning in any spectacular brand of football.

The scoring was opened by Bob Davidson about five minutes after the start of the game, when he beat De Costa with a fast shot from about ten feet out after a mad scramble in front of the goalmouth.

For the balance of the first period play was fairly even, neither team being able to gain much advantage, although Esquimalt broke through on a number of occasions, but were not able to find the net. De Costa turned in a beautiful exhibition of net-tending during the entire first half.

In the second half Esquimalt ran rings around the City, but although they played most of the game around their opponents' goalmouth, their feet would not work properly, and they missed a down golden opportunity to make counters. On the occasions on which they did connect, Chalmers proved his worth with some wonderful saves.

SAGE SCORES
About midway through the period, the play suddenly shifted to centre field after having been in City territory for a time, and Sage broke through on a clear field to send a shot into the net that De Costa never saw. The Esquimalt players protested on the grounds that Sage had been off-side at the time and had used his hands on the ball, but the referee allowed the goal.

For the remainder of the game Esquimalt had most of the advantage, but their weakness in front of the goal robbed them of a score. About half way through the period Hicks of Esquimalt was replaced by Watt and about five minutes before time lay left the field with cramps. Hicks being brought back.

Swan handled the whistle and the teams lined up as follows:
Victoria City—Chalmers, Moody, Harper, Smith, Magee, McBay, Murray, Davidson, Sage, Gibson, Holness, Robertson.
Esquimalt—De Costa, Watt, March, Hicks, Hay, McLean, R. Stewart, John Watt, A. Stewart, Wagland, Hall, Knapp, Watt.

FIVE INDICTED ON DOPE CHARGE
Trainer of Audley Farms Among Those Charged With Violation of Narcotics Act
DETROIT, Dec. 23 (AP).—Federal grand jury indictments growing out of the alleged doping of race horses at the fair grounds track here last October had been returned today against five trainers and handlers active during the Fall meet.

The indictments, charging violation of the Federal Narcotics Act, concealment and transportation of illegal narcotics, and conspiracy, named Joseph P. Patterson, of Chicago, trainer for the Audley Farms Stables at Berryville, Va.; Morton Moore, Covington, Ky.; and Robert Wingfield and Thomas Murray, of Highland Park, Mich.

Patterson and Smith have not been arrested. The other three defendants were freed on bond, pending further action by the grand jury. The indictments charged that hypodermic injections were given to Royal Blunder and Knight's Gai, horses of the Audley Stables owned by Ben Jones, wealthy Virginian.

Schmeling Received By Chancellor Hitler
BERLIN, Dec. 23 (AP).—Max Schmeling, the boxer, and his actress wife, were received by Chancellor Adolf Hitler today. Hitler always has shown a keen interest in boxing. Schmeling said he would sail for the United States December 28.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

By Ripley



LEGALLY GAVE HIS OWN BIRTHDAY AS AN XMAS PRESENT!
TO A LITTLE GIRL WHO COMPLAINED THAT SHE RECEIVED NO BIRTHDAY PRESENTS BECAUSE HER BIRTHDAY FELL ON CHRISTMAS! (She is now Mrs. Bourke Cockran)

EXPLANATION FOR YESTERDAY'S RIPLEY CARTOON
Seventy-Four Years on the Same Job—Mr. William C. Creamer who was born in 1849, entered the employ of Arnold, Constable & Company, as an errand boy at the age of ten. Seventy-four years have passed since that day, but Mr. Creamer still continues to work with the same firm. During these seventy-four years he was never absent from work even for a day. The Great Blizzard of 1888 could not deter Mr. Creamer from being among the small number of men who reported for work on that day.

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MOTHERWELL HANDED FIRST SETBACK OF SEASON

Scottish Football Leaders Defeated By Lowly Clyde XI

First Division Pacesetters Handed 2-1 Setback in Big Upset—Rangers Wallop Airdrieonians—Aberdeen Trounces Sheffield—Derby County Held to Draw

GLASGOW, Scotland, Dec. 23 (CP).—Mighty Motherwell, leaders of the Scottish Football League's First Division, today suffered their first defeat since the season got under way. In their twenty-third match Motherwell were beaten 2-1 by the lowly Clyde eleven, right at Fir Park.

The surprising upset came as Glasgow Rangers, league champions, were wallowing Airdrieonians into a 7-2 defeat. As a result, Motherwell's lead over Rangers was cut to five points.

Aberdeen went into third place over Ayr United by defeating the latter on their own grounds, 2-1. Arbroath moved up into a tie with Dunfermline for leadership of the Second Division by beating the latter, 3-2, at home.

ENGLISH LEAGUE

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Arsenal, English League champion, and leader, got off on the long holiday soccer grind right today by rousing Sheffield, Derby County, after a gallant fight to get into second place, were knocked back slightly when they were held to a scoreless draw at Sunderland.

The result was to give the Arsenal a clear lead of three points. Tottenham Hotspurs won at Blackburn, 4-1, and thereby went into a tie with Derby County for second place. Wolverhampton Wanderers pulled one of the big surprises of the day by trouncing the crack Manchester City outfit, 8-0, at the Wolves' field. Grimsby Town's lead was cut to three points in the Second Division, when the Town was beaten at home, 4-1, by Bradford City. Blackpool, winning 2-1 at Bradford, went into undisputed second place.

In the Southern section of the Third Division, the leading Norwich City eleven lost to Bristol Rovers, 3-0. The Northern Section leaders, Chester, were held at home, over Stockport County, winning 1-0.

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division
Aston Villa 2, Everton 1.
Chelsea 1, Leeds United 1.
Huddersfield Town 0, Birmingham 0.
Leicester City 1, Middlesbrough 2.
Liverpool 1, Newcastle United 2.
Preston North End 0, Bolton Wanderers 1.
Sheffield United 1, Arsenal 3.
Stoke City 0, Sheffield Wednesday 1.
Sunderland 0, Derby County 0.
Tottenham Hotspurs 4, Blackburn Rovers 1.
Wolverhampton 8, Manchester City 0.

Second Division

Bolton Wanderers 1, Lincoln City 2.
Bradford 1, Blackpool 2.
Brentford 2, Bury 3.
Burnley 3, Hull City 1.
Grimsby Town 1, Bradford City 4.
Manchester United 1, Millwall 1.
Notts Forest 6, Port Vale 1.
Oldham Athletic 3, Fulham 2.
Plymouth Argyle 2, Swansea Town 3.
Preston North End 3, Southampton 1.
West Ham United 5, Notts County 3.

Third Division—Southern Section

Bournemouth 4, Luton Town 3.
Bristol Rovers 3, Norwich City 0.
Cardiff City 1, Northampton Town 3.
Charlton Athletic 1, Aldershot 0.
Coventry City 3, Clapton Orient 1.
Crystal Palace 1, Newport County 1.
Exeter City 4, Torquay United 0.
Gillingham 1, Queen's Park Rangers 4.
Reading 2, Swindon Town 0.
Southend United 3, Bristol City 0.
Watford 2, Brighton 0.

Third Division—Northern Section

Accrington Stanley 2, Carlisle United 1.
Barnsley 2, New Brighton 0.
Chesterfield 1, Stockport County 0.
Darlington 4, Doncaster Rovers 0.
Gateshead 0, Barrow 0.
Hartlepool United 0, Walsall 1.
Mansfield Town 3, Rotherham United 0.
Rochdale 1, Halifax Town 2.
Southport 3, Chester 1.
Tannemore Rovers 5, Greave Alexandra 1.
Wrexham 2, York City 3.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division
Airdrieonians 2, Rangers 7.
Ayr United 1, Aberdeen 2.
Celtic 0, Queen of South 1.
Cowdenbeath 0, Kilmarnock 1.
Dundee 3, St. Johnstone 0.
Hibernians 2, Queen's Park 1.
Motherwell 1, Clyde 2.
Partick Thistle 1, Hamilton Academical 2.
St. Mirren 1, Hearts 1.
Third Lanark 3, Falkirk 1.

Second Division

Alloa 3, Raith Rovers 1.
Arbroath 3, Dunfermline 2.
Dumbarton 3, Brechin City 1.
East Fife 5, Dundee United 1.
East Stirling 4, Leith Athletic 4.
Forfar Athletic 6, Stenhousemuir 0.
Montrose 3, Edinburgh City 1.
Morton 1, King's Park 6.
St. Bernard's 2, Albion Rovers 0.

RESULTS OF FOOTBALL MATCHES

HELFAST, Dec. 23 (CP).—Results of matches in the Irish Soccer League today were as follows:
Derry 1, Coleraine 0.
Ballymena 4, Distillery 2.
Cliftonville 4, Farnborough 2.
Bangor 1, Linfield 4.
Celtic 6, Larne 1.
Glenelg 3, Newry 0.
Glenavon 2, Ards 1.

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP).—Rugby matches played in the Old Country today resulted as follows:

Rugby Union
Blackheath 20, Headingly 6.

Preparing for Al Brown



"I'm Betting on You, Daddy!" June, Two-Year-Old Daughter of Seaman ("Tommy") Watson, British Featherweight Champ, Tells Her Father as She Helps Him Prepare to Meet Al Brown

Victoria High School Campus Comments

A play, carol singing, military tap dance, comic imitations and general prize-giving were all included in the closing exercises held in the school auditorium on Thursday. Principal Dilworth, introduced to the audience by Struan Robertson, master of ceremonies, took time to wish the students and teachers of the school a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Mr. Frank Tupper led the gathering in the singing of the two carols, "We Three Kings" and "Good King Wenceslas."

A clever play put on by the Junior Musical Arts Society, entitled "Here Lies the Child," was next presented, and was well received. The charming Georgia Dowdall received a popular encore for her efforts in a military tap dance. The next act on the list of entertainment was an extraction from various parts of "Julius Caesar" and depicted by boys in Division 10, which was loudly applauded by those present.

The final touch was put to the programme when Jack Green, disguised as St. Nicholas, called upon various members of the audience to receive gifts for their behaviour during this year. The fortunate ones were: Principal Dilworth, Mr. H. Smith, Miss A. McLeod, William Hudson, Glen Thomas, James Lowe, Jack Church, K. Lawson, Fay Okenen, Phyllis Addison, E. Crocker and Barbara Winslow. Brian Robertson was a fine master of ceremonies.

Principal Ira Dilworth expressed his thanks and heartfelt congratulations to those teachers and students connected directly or indirectly with the success of the Christmas play. Principal Dilworth stated that in his opinion it was the best play the school has produced for many a year.

The appreciation of Principal Dilworth was offered to all students in the school for their marvelous support in the preparing of hampers for needy families. The school was able to supply twenty-three families with Christmas hampers.

After the completion of the school holidays the soccer season will be ushered in with the following divisions playing off:

Divisions 7 and 8 vs. Division 2.
Divisions 23 vs. Division 29.
Divisions 16 and 17 vs. Division 18.

By R. J. Scott

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PAUL RUNYAN TAKES LEAD AT PASADENA

New York Pro Sets Fast Pace in Open Golf—Macdonald Smith Second

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 23 (AP).—Two consecutive par-shattering rounds of 69 and 67 lifted twenty-five-year-old Paul Runyan, of White Plains, N.Y., into the lead of the \$4,000 Pasadena open championship today. His thirty-six-hole card of 136 put him two strokes ahead of the first round leader, Macdonald Smith, whose par 71 today landed him in second place at 138. With the thirty-six-hole final coming up tomorrow, Denny Shute, British open champion, found himself in third place with 71-69-140; and the Long Beach siege gun Jimmy Thomson, with 71-70, and Harry Cooper, of Chicago, with 70-71-141, were tied back of Shute.

DISCOL WELLS UP
Leo Diegel, of Philadelphia, and Horton Smith, of Oak Park, Ill., were next in line of leaders, each shooting 71-71-142.

Bill McMillan, of Louisville; Wiffy Cox, of Brooklyn, and Fred Morrison, Pasadena pro, with 144, and Olin Dutra, Santa Monica, with 145, stayed up in the prize winning bracket; but they were a long way off from the big plum.

Scores of 151 were good enough to qualify for the final round, as the field was narrowed to fifty-seven competitors for tomorrow's wind-up.

MISTLETOE IS FATEFUL PLANT

Many Legends Were Woven Around It Long Before Christian Era

Mistletoe looks a fateful, fatal plant with its waxy leaves and ghost-like berries, the "Bane Bush," as it is called.

In Norse mythology, it was with a sprig of mistletoe, flung at the bidding of the wicked Loki, that Hodur, the blind god, slew Baldr the Beautiful. For that crime, Freya, Mother of Life, set it apart, suspended between heaven and earth.

WORSHIPPED BY DRUIDS
The Druids saw the mistletoe as a holy, mystic, luminous, and worshipped it for that very reason, gathering it with many rites on the shortest day, December 21. Caught, it touched the ground, in the outland robes of the chivalry, it was separated into small portions and divided amongst the worshippers, who carried it home and hung it over the hearthstone, as a protection against winter dangers.

So here is one reason why mistletoe finds a place in our homes at Christmas. But why do lovers kiss under it?

SAVE WORLD'S WOES
Going back to the Norse legend, we find that Freya's spell ordained that the "Kiss of Peace" must be exchanged under the plant, to save the woes which fell upon the world with Baldr's death, and for this the Druids called it "All Heal."

Amongst the Franks, the plant was still regarded as a peace-maker. When the church adopted it, it was adapted many pagan rites, and amongst others, it was long the Christianized practice to exchange a "Kiss of Peace" under the mistletoe, at a certain point in the service for Christmas Day.

UNCANNY PLANT

Yet, even so, it was looked upon as an uncanny plant. "Tree of the Cross" they call it in Brittany, and legend said that the Cross was made from mistletoe-wood, when it grew as a forest tree, so that for this disservice to mankind, it was condemned to be a thing apart. Soon the mistletoe relapsed into paganism. It was banished from the churches, and from church decorations, yet it retained its potency as a "Kissing Bush." That kissing was pagan, it was banished from the churches, and from church decorations, yet it retained its potency as a "Kissing Bush." That kissing was pagan, it was banished from the churches, and from church decorations, yet it retained its potency as a "Kissing Bush."

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Seattle Hoopmen to Face Beavers Friday Evening

SEATTLE Panthers, strong intermediate cage squad, will be here Friday night to battle Frank Shandley's Beavers, city and provincial champions in the same division. The Sound City quintette is managed by Shandley's brother, Fred, so it will be a purely family affair from the start. Adverts, undefeated leaders, will clash with Pan-torium in the women's Senior "B" section in a regular league tussle. The first game starts at 7:45, and the main attraction an hour later.

"REVOLT" OF P.N.W. GOLF PROS OVER

Settlement Is Made With P.G.A., President States—Arrange Tournaments

SEATTLE, Dec. 23 (AP).—The "revolt" of Pacific Northwest golf professionals from the Professional Golfers' Association of America, is over, a meeting of the Northwest P.G.A. has decided, President Jack Martin, of Tacoma, disclosed today. The members feel that the grounds on which they "bolted" last year, have been met by the reduction of annual dues from \$40 to \$25, and the restoration of a certain kind of merchandise, he said. In addition, the meeting lined up the coming season's activities by the appointment of numerous committees. Walter Pursey, of Seattle, will head the membership and educational committee, and Robert Johnston, of Seattle, will direct the ways and means committee. Pursey will be aided by Al Zimmerman, of Portland, and by Ray Hall, of Puyallup.

An active tournament programme for 1934 is planned, to be featured by the Pacific Northwest open and pro-amateur events.

MAY POST GUARD FOR DRURY LANE

Talk of Revival of Old Custom Staged When George II Attended Dramas

MANCHESTER, England.—It is suggested that the old-time military drill of Drury Lane Theatre, London, may be instituted again, following the decision of the Comedie Francaise, in Paris, to revive the old practice of having a platoon of the Municipal Guard, in full uniform, on duty in the theatre—though only for decorative effect.

Until about forty years ago, a military guard was always stationed at the famous Drury Lane Theatre during every performance. Many supposed that this was a recognition of Old Drury's status as a Theatre Royal. Actually it was due to an official oversight. One evening when George II was to attend the theatre, there were warnings of Jacobite demonstrations, and an order was given for a company of Life Guards to be in attendance. In the end the guard was withdrawn on account of a quarrel with the theatre management over the accommodation provided for the officer in command.

Wireless Enthusiast: "Do you like Handel's 'Largo'?"
Dear Old Soul: "I'm afraid not, dear. As a matter of fact, I'm a staunch teetotaler!"

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Among our assets we count the only one that money cannot buy—your goodwill. And so at this holiday season we extend to you, not as a customer, but as a friend A very Merry Christmas and Prosperity throughout the New Year

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Nearly 2,600 Families Get Christmas Baskets

Various Organizations Work at High Pitch to Deliver Hampers to Needy Households So Santa Claus May Come to Hundreds of Children

Instead of facing Christmas Day with a dreary feeling, there will be over 2,500 happy families in Victoria and district tomorrow, since that number of hampers were delivered by the Friendly Help Welfare Association yesterday. Mrs. R. W. Hartley, of the Central B. change, reported that 2,100 of the hampers were handled by the city exchange.

A great advance over last year's figures is shown in the final counts of both the Friendly Help Welfare hamper fund and the Victoria Boy Scouts' toy campaign.

The hamper fund passed its objective of 1,000 hampers and packed and distributed some 1,100 hampers. Despite the shorter working time, the figure represents an increase of 300 hampers over 1932, when 800 were distributed.

TOY CAMPAIGN
The Boy Scouts were successful in collecting 12,000 toys, many of which they repaired. This represents 2,000 more toys than the campaign called for. The Scouts deserve a great deal of credit for the splendid work they have done in the short time they have had to conduct their campaign; 6,000 toys were distributed in Victoria and the remainder in Oak Bay, Saanich, Esquimalt and surrounding areas.

Mrs. J. D. Galloway, who supervised the collection of goods and packing of hampers, Major James Wise, commissioner of Scouts, and Scoutmaster W. G. Lythgoe, scoutmaster in charge of the toy campaign, all expressed their gratification at the results of the two campaigns.

HAMPER FUND
The hamper fund reports that about one-third of the food used in the hampers was collected by direct contribution and the rest was purchased out of cash gifts, totaling approximately \$2,000, and out of the society's funds.

The Seanch hamper fund reports that more than \$800 had been collected to be used to aid needy of the municipality. Reeve William Croucher expects the \$1,000 packers to be completed by the end of the year. The ladies of the Seanch Welfare Association will be collected before Tuesday night. The fund committee wishes to thank all those who have contributed to it.

MANY HELPERS
Many women have given valuable time to the Friendly Help Welfare hamper fund. Especially notable has been the work of Mrs. J. Rogers, who has been in the background at the Hibben-Bone Building during every day of the fund's three weeks of operation, preparing meals for the workers. Others who were busily engaged in packing hampers include Mrs. A. W. Radburne, Mrs. A. S. Christie, Mrs. J. Harvey, Mrs. Snowdon, Mrs. J. D. Galloway, Miss Blackwood, Mrs. D. Holmes, Miss M. Oliver, Mrs. Desmond Chetleb, Mrs. I. Green, Mrs. P. Ripley, Mrs. E. M. Davidson, Miss P. Everest, Mrs. C. Swayne, Miss E. Dods, Mrs. M. Clark, Mrs. G. Cliff.

HAIR-CUT TABOO IN SUNDAY LAWS

British Act, Which Came Into Force in 1931, Invoked in Surrey, England

LONDON.—A prosecution under the Hairdressers' and Barber's Sunday Closing Act, which came into force in 1931, was taken in Surrey for the first time, when a barber, named Reginald Gould, was prosecuted at Chertsey for having cut hair on Sunday.

When the prosecutor informed the magistrate that the action against the barber was taken under the act, which did not allow barbers to cut hair on Sunday, the magistrate asked: "Does anybody know why?"

The prosecutor replied: "I cannot give the reason, but it is not lawful for any person to carry on the business of hairdressing on a Sunday." The defendant said he was only cutting one or two customers and received no financial gain. He promised not to offend again, and the summons was dismissed on payment of four shillings costs.

Convicts Paroled

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 23 (AP).—Christmas paroles to forty-seven convicts of the Michigan State Prison were announced today. All were released by noon so they might spend the holiday in their homes.

"I want a pair of shoes for this little girl," said the mother.

"Yes, ma'am," answered the shoe clerk. "French kid?"

"Well, I guess not," was the trade answer. "She is my own child, born right here in Chicago."

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Plays and Players

"Alice in Wonderland" Is Big Hit at Capitol

Charlotte Henry, the Little Girl Who Plays "Alice" Is Supported by Cast of Hollywood Notables—Plot Is Original

The screen at the Capitol Theatre reflected the unbelievable characters of Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland," last night, with such remarkable accuracy that the large audience was carried away with its fantasy.

Wholly unlike anything ever done before, this unique picture is highly entertaining. It has an unusual cast, aptly termed "the cast of the century." It includes, besides Charlotte Henry as "Alice," Richard Arlen, Roscoe Ates, Gary Cooper, Leon Errol, Louie Fazenda, W. C. Fields, Skeets Gallagher, Cary Grant, Raymond Hatton, Edward Everett Horton, Roscoe Karns, Baby LeRoy, Mae Marsh, Polly Moran, Jack Oakie, Edna May Oliver, May Robson, Charlie Ruggles, Alison Skipworth, Ned Sparks and Ford Sterling.

It is an artistic masterpiece of costume, set and design; it is a riotous comedy; it is unusually well directed from start to finish; it is photographed perfectly. In short, Hollywood never has done anything quite like it before.

Story? No need to tell it. Everyone has read "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" and "Alice Through the Looking-Glass." All of the favorite characters and scenes in the story will be seen in the picture. The White Knight, the Duch-

Romano Playing Thrilling Film

"Police Court," an unusual drama of today, will be shown at the Romano Theatre for the first three days of this week. Henry Walthall, well-known star, is seen in the leading role. As the added attraction, Jean Harlow and Clark Gable will be seen in "Red Dust," a romantic story of life on a plantation.

"What's the difference between a Socialist and a specialist?" "Well, the Socialist wants half what you have, and the specialist wants it all."

Scottish Player on Empire Stage



T. McAllister Wallace who will be seen on the stage at the Empire Theatre this week in the Scottish musical comedy production being offered there.

THE NEW PLAYHOUSE

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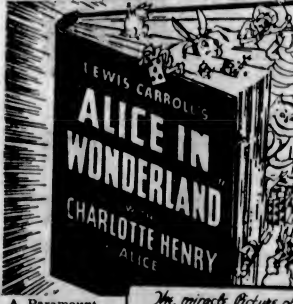
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In Dominion Attraction



Katharine Hepburn, Popular R.K.O. Star, Who Will Be Seen at the Dominion Theatre This Week in "Little Women"

Katharine Hepburn Now Starring at the Dominion

Has Leading Role in "Little Women," Dynamic Story of an Average Family—Splendid Cast of Players Is Seen

R.K.O.-Radio Pictures' dramatization of "Little Women," Louisa M. Alcott's powerful and idealistic story, opening at the Dominion Theatre tomorrow, has been brought to the screen without dramatic licence and with brilliant, sensitive performance on the part of every member of the large cast.

It is a true representation of beautiful ideals and the best in family life. Katharine Hepburn, starred as Jo, is magnificent. Her performance shades anything she has ever done, not excluding her late hit, "Morning Glory."

Joan Bennett, Frances Dee and Jean Parker as Amy, Meg and Beth, respectively, the other "Little Women," leave nothing to be desired by those who have made the Alcott characters their ideals.

Many movie-goers are no doubt familiar with the story, the tale of an average family, revealing the development and ennoblement of four sisters.

STAGE BAND AT MIDNIGHT SHOW

Reginald Wood and Ten-Piece Orchestra to Play at Capitol Christmas Eve Matinee

The Christmas Eve matinee, to be held at the Capitol Theatre, commencing at 12:05 a.m., Monday, holds a programme that is season-

"Alice" at the Capitol



A Scene From "Alice in Wonderland," the Current Attraction at the Capitol Theatre

thrills and action in his numerous Western successes, takes a pleasant trip into comedy in "The Sitting Pretty," the Columbia picture which is the added attraction.

There is, of course, the usual amount of thrills, but, in addition, Jones displays a fair for humor that is distinctly different and should demonstrate new histrionic talents to his public.

It was stated in court the other day that there were five stages of intoxication. There are really six stages. I am told (says a Morning Post writer). A man under the influence of alcohol becomes successively jocose, verbose, morose, bellicose, incoherent, and finally, comatose.

ROYAL VICTORIA HAS MELODRAMA

Little Theatre Association Presenting "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as Christmas Treat

The new quarters of the Little Theatre Association on Burdett Avenue closely resemble the proverbial beehive as their Christmas production, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," goes into the final stages of rehearsal. Director Leslie Lamb and his co-director, Hugh Greenman, are both busy at once directing the eight scenes of the play. Both upstairs and downstairs rooms are kept busy going from one rehearsal to another to do their parts in between times, each member of the cast is receiving special lessons in Southern and Negro dialect.

Over 175 hours of rehearsal have been necessary to bring this ambitious stage presentation before the public in its present finished form. A committee on historic detail has taken great pains to faithfully reproduce the play in all its elaborate Southern etiquette and polish. Each member of the cast has been carefully schooled in the stage deportment and traditional "carriage" of the time of Harriet Beecher Stowe, the author. Probably no amateur play heretofore produced in Victoria has had more specialized detail work than "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will boast.

Mr. Lamb has found that his cast of some forty persons has displayed a splendid spirit of loyalty and co-operation, which has doubtless aided him greatly in producing an artistic performance. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will open at the Royal Victoria on Christmas night and will continue on Boxing Day, with a matinee and another evening performance.

JACK HULBERT IS PLAYHOUSE STAR

"Love on Wheels" Is Hilarious Story of an English Department Store—Good Cast

Jack Hulbert, in "Love on Wheels," opening at the Playhouse tomorrow, has the role of Fred Hopkins, a young man with a novel kind of job in Gallop's Stores. His job is to be fired every time a customer complains. Gallop's customers are always right, therefore Fred has to be wrong. He travels to business each day on a Green Line bus and the conductor, Briggs (Gordon Barker), is very interested in the budding love affair between Fred and a fair passenger, Jane Russell. Now Fred is ashamed of his job, and Briggs advises him to tell Jane that he has been given a rise and is

DANCE!

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Two Special Holiday Dances in the newly-decorated Crystal Ballroom. Fred Pitt's Orchestra. Admission

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Fire Interrupts Christmas Party BOWSMAN, Man. Dec. 23 (CP). Fire had no terrors for Santa Claus and 200 children who celebrated in the United Church here. And they were all happy today.

While festivities were at their height here, last night, flames came shooting up from a hot-air radiator. Word was passed quickly to the chairman, D. C. Silverthorn. He quickly asked everybody to leave the building. The exit was orderly.

Jill, accompanied by her dog, is out walking. She meets Jack, who invites her to the matinee. Jill is willing—but what to do with the dog? Jack suggests taking it to the police station. Jill does so, pretending she has found it. Matinee enjoyed. Jack now calls at police station and claims "lost dog." Is told he must leave two dollars reward for the finder, does so. Jill then drops in and as "finder" receives the two dollars. All square.

FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

Security Prices Little Changed At Wall Street

Leading Stocks at Eastern Exchanges Turn Slightly Lower

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Notwithstanding the acceptance of Christmas profit by traders, who held ridded Friday's rally, stocks were somewhat irregular, but on the basis of the averages, the net change was a fractional loss. Commodities markets were closed. Silver issues encountered some realization, but reduced their losses to nominal proportions. Gold stocks were taken in hand by way of variety and several of them rallied rather briskly. The rank and file of industrials were mixed. Selling pressure against American Telephone lifted, giving that leader a net gain of slightly more than the point, but tobacco continued soggy. As Wall Street held home for its long week-end, the feeling was that further important monetary developments might be imminent. The Federal Reserve Board conference and President Roosevelt's expression of hope that the silver stabilization idea might be extended to other exchange bases, kept financial attention focused sharply on Washington. It was noted here that in some quarters there was a feeling that the administration had not gone far enough in its effort to "do something" for silver, and it was thought likely that more might be heard along the same line.

The New York quotation on spot silver sagged half a cent. This price applies to metal actually on hand and is not directly affected by the Government's bid for newly-mined silver, except as the level may be influenced, over the longer term, by withdrawals from the world market of the 35,000,000 ounces under the London plan. Business on the stock exchange was fairly brisk for a holiday eve, sales totaling 738,215 shares. Liquidation of the tobacco shares, bringing losses of 2 to 3 points for the more active leaders, was attributed by some to investment trust selling. Cigarette sales have fallen off.

On the gold front, Homestake climbed 8 points, McIntyre about 3 and Juneau and Dome more than a

point each. United States Smelting, which produces gold as well as silver, completely recovered from an early reaction.

International Silver traded lightly, losing 1 point. Consolidated Copper, which produces silver, was hardened with Telephone. United States Steel preferred jumped around 4, then lost part of the rise. The common was firm. General Motors, General Electric, DuPont, Chrysler, Sears-Roebuck and a few others were steady. Carriers and a few others were steady.

The trading volume was about the same as that of last Saturday, sales totaling only \$5,046,000, par value. The average for sixty days is \$10,000,000. The trading volume was about the same as that of last Saturday, sales totaling only \$5,046,000, par value.

Some institutional buying was reported in the Federal section and the utilities and stock exchange. It was thought the Treasury might have made some more purchases for its sinking fund. The turning point in this group, however, was relatively light. The Liberties and the majority of the Treasuries recorded gains of 1-3/4 to 6-3/4 of 1 point, recovering some of their losses of Friday. Only the Treasury 3's, 3 1/8's and one of the 3-3/8's were slightly lower.

Improved transportation prospects apparently encouraged the carriers. Advances of fractions to a point or more were shown by some lines of Santa Fe, Saint Paul, Chicago & Northwestern, Rock Island, Missouri Pacific, New York Central, Nickel Plate, Frisco, Union Pacific and Western Pacific.

The utilities and stock exchange were inclined to mark time. Foreign obligations generally displayed rallying tendencies.

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High Low Close
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Gen. Auto. 18-1 18-6 18-7
Post. 13-3 13-3 13-3
Westinghouse Elec. 25-6 25-3 25-3

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NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Foreign exchange firm. Quotations in cents.
Demand—Demand 6 1/2%; cables 5 1/2%.
Daily—Demand 5 1/2%; cables 5 1/2%.
Belgium—91 7/8.
Germany—17 1/2.
Holland—42 1/2.
Sweden—24 1/2.
Denmark—25 1/2.
Switzerland—35 1/2.
Spain—18 1/2.
Portugal—44.
Greece—28.
Poland—17 1/2.
Czechoslovakia—46.
Yugoslavia—3 1/2.
Austria—17 1/2.
Rumania—97.
Brazil—48.
Tokyo—31 1/2.
Shanghai—34 1/2.
Hongkong—35 1/2.
Mexico City (silver peso)—38 1/2.
Montreal—In New York 100 1/2%.
New York—In Montreal 98 1/2%.

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Quotations in dollars.
Cables 5 1/2; sixty-day bills 5 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS AND MANUFACTURING

Am. Can. Co. 92-4 90 90-4
Hammington-Bond 7-3 7 7-3
Barrington-Bond 15-3 15-3 15-3
Case Tires 7-3 7 7-3
Continental Can. 40-4 40 40-4
Dunlop 9-7 9 9-7
Kodak 70 70 70
Olefin 7-3 7 7-3
Gold Dust 17 17 17
Int. Harvester 40-4 40 40-4
Nat. Cash Register 17-3 17 17-3
New York A.T. 50 50 50
Pullman 31-3 31 31-3
Radio Corp. of Am. 6-8 6 6-8
Hammington-Bond 7-3 7 7-3
United Aircraft 31-3 31 31-3
Westinghouse Pump 25-1 25 25-1
Celanese Corp. 26-7 26 26-7

RAILS

Albany Corp. 3-3 3 3-3
Achtion 10-7 10 10-7
Bait & Ohio 23-3 23 23-3
Barrington-Bond 15-3 15 15-3
Case Tires 7-3 7 7-3
C. M. & St. Paul 4-3 4 4-3
Del. Lack & West. 23-3 23 23-3
Chicago & N. Western 30-3 30 30-3
Ill. Central 20-3 20 20-3
K. C. & N. 30-3 30 30-3
M. & K. 30-3 30 30-3
Missouri Pacific 30-3 30 30-3
N. Y. Central 20-3 20 20-3
Northern Pacific 30-3 30 30-3
Southern Pacific 30-3 30 30-3
Union Pacific 111-3 111 111-3

STEEL AND IRON

Am. Can. Co. 92-4 90 90-4
Am. Locomotive 30-3 30 30-3
Baldwin 11-3 11 11-3
Bethlehem Steel 25-3 25 25-3
Byers (AM) Co. 23-3 23 23-3
Rep. Iron & Steel 18-3 18 18-3
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe 18-3 18 18-3
U. S. Steel 25-3 25 25-3
Vanadium 23-3 23 23-3

AUTOMOBILE AND ACCESSORIES

Auburn 35-3 35 35-3
Buick 35-3 35 35-3
Chrysler 35-3 35 35-3
General Motors 35-3 35 35-3
Hudson 35-3 35 35-3
Hupp 35-3 35 35-3
Packard 35-3 35 35-3
Nash 35-3 35 35-3
Ford 35-3 35 35-3
Studebaker 35-3 35 35-3
Thompson 35-3 35 35-3
Studebaker 35-3 35 35-3
Yellow Truck 35-3 35 35-3

TIRES AND RUBBER

Goodrich 13-3 13 13-3
Goodyear 13-3 13 13-3
U. S. Rubber 13-3 13 13-3

PUBLIC UTILITY

Pub. Serv. of N.Y. 23-3 23 23-3
Am. Power & L. 17-3 17 17-3
Am. Tel. & Tel. 100 100 100
Am. Waterworks 17-3 17 17-3
Brook. Man. 100 100 100
Columbia Gas 11-3 11 11-3
Consol. Gas 11-3 11 11-3
Elec. Power & L. 17-3 17 17-3
Inter. Tel. & Tel. 100 100 100
Louisiana Gas 11-3 11 11-3
Nat. Gas 11-3 11 11-3
North American 13-3 13 13-3
R. C. Edison 11-3 11 11-3
Rock. Gas & Elec. 6-7 6 6-7
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United Corp. 6-7 6 6-7
Western Union 35-3 35 35-3
Cons. & Southern 1-3 1 1-3

FOOD PRODUCTS

Am. Sugar 48-4 48 48-4
Borden Co. 48-4 48 48-4
Cal. Pac. 20-1 20 20-1
Coca Cola 14-4 14 14-4
Corn Products 94 94 94
Gen. Foods 33-3 33 33-3
Gl. West Sugar 13-3 13 13-3
Nat. Dairy Prod. 13-3 13 13-3
Safeway Stores 20-1 20 20-1
Standard Brands 20-1 20 20-1
United Fruit 40-3 40 40-3

MINING STOCKS

FIRM AT CLOSE

Leading Golds and Silvers Make Small Gains at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Although today's session was the last before the Christmas holiday, stocks maintained, and in most instances, added to the gains made yesterday. Pioneer led with a gain of 25 cents at 11 1/2. Reno advanced 4 cents to 87. Cariboo was 3 cents higher at 2.83, and Meridian and Wayside each gained 1 cent at 23 and 43, respectively. Premier Gold lost 3 cents to 113.

Pend Oreille suffered a setback of 7 cents at 78. Big Missouri lost 1 cent at 32. Noble Fire advanced 2 1/4 cents to 131 1/4. Golconda was up 2 cents at 55, and British Columbia Nickel was 1 cent higher at 100.

The oils were a little stronger, in sympathy with the mines. Home Petroleum gained 5 cents to 155. Sterling Pacific gained 3 cents at 54, and Calgary & Edmonton at 90 and Meridian at 28 each gained 2 cents. Royalty was unchanged.

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GRAIN MARKET

WEEKLY REVIEW

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23 (CP).—Anxiety concerning the crop outlook in Europe, free purchasing by Washington and announcement of silver-buying policy helped turn wheat values upward at the close of a week of holiday trade.

Improved demand for wheat in the British market was due partly to wintry weather conditions in Europe, where apprehension is felt for winter-sown grains. Pressure of wheat from the Argentine is believed lessened by recent Government restrictions.

Wheat closed the week firm, with net advances of 3-4 to 3-8 cents. December held 3-4 higher at 60 5-8; May, 1-2 to 3-8 higher at 63 5-8; and July, 3-8 higher at 64 5-8.

Appreciable interest is reported in Canadian wheat in winter storage position for shipment in the Spring. There is also an increased demand for tonnage at the Pacific Coast and bookings at Vancouver suggest a much broader trade from that port in the new year.

Coarse wheat and coarse grains showed only fractional changes for the week's trade. Oats advanced 1-4 to 1-8; barley, 1 to 5-8; flax unchanged to 1-4 higher, and rye advanced to 3-4 to 1-8.

Leading Stocks at Eastern Exchanges Turn Slightly Lower

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—Stocks sagged under today's short session of the Montreal Stock Exchange as pre-holiday sluggishness prevailed. Declines were only fractional.

Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" declined 5-8 at 17 5-8 and the "B" 7-8 at 16 7-8. C.P.R. advanced 1-2 at 12 1-2, and Cyprium 1-2 at 1-3 and Hollinger 30 cents at 11 1/2, while Consolidated Smelters gained half a point at 132 1-2.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—With the New York market drab, stocks on the Toronto Stock Exchange closed with a dull trade today. Interlisteds were firm only in spots.

In the beer group Canada Malting rose 3-4 to 28 1-4, Canada Industrial Alcohol, at 18 1-8, was off 1-8. Alcohol and Walkers were barely steady.

Food, heavy industrials and bank shares were firm. Canadian Canners, Standard Steel, Steel of Canada and in the utilities Bell Telephone and Union Gas had fractional gains.

SENIOR GOLDS MOVE HIGHER

Dome, Hollinger, Lakeshore and Teck-Hughes Gain at Toronto

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Standard Mining Market's silver lining was a bit foggy today, but the golds came to the rescue in the last half-hour. Prices were soft. The market will be closed on Monday.

Dome gained 1.50 to 34.00, Hollinger 50 to 115.00, Lakeshore up 50 to 34.00, Teck-Hughes up 5 to 5.75, and McIntyre jumped 2.50 to 40.00.

San Antonio had an advance of 5 to 1.70, and Wayside dropped 3 to 41. International Nickel was unchanged at 21.00, and Noranda dropped 50 to 33.25.

Eldorado gained 2 to 3.95, Bear Exploration was up 4 to 70, and White Eagle off 1 1/2 to 31. Royalty gained 50 cents to 19.50.

WHEAT FUTURES GAIN ONE CENT

Prices Move Higher in Sluggish Trading at Winnipeg Market

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23 (CP).—Aided by scattered export sales and meagre support from other sources, wheat prices helped themselves to an advance of 1 to 7-8 cent on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange today, while all outside markets were on holiday.

December wheat finished the week at 61 5-8. May at 64 1-2, and July at 65 5-8 cents. Export sales were estimated by shippers at less than 250,000 bushels, but there was evidence of support from other sources. P.T. operations were active only in early trading, but for a pre-holiday market and a Saturday session, volume of trade was quite appreciable.

Trading in cash and coarse grains was practically at a standstill. Prices were unchanged.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

Wheat—P.C. Open High Low Close	Dec.	60 1/2	60 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
May	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
July	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Barley	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Oats	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Dec.	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
May	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
July	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Flax	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
Dec.	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
May	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
July	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Vancouver grain quotations:

Wheat—P.C. Open High Low Close	Dec.	60 1/2	60 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
May	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
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May	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
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Retail Markets

Vegetables—Greens

Sprouts	3 for 35
Cabbage	10 for 35
Local apples	10 for 35
Local pears	10 for 35
Local peaches	10 for 35
Local plums	10 for 35
Local cherries	10 for 35
Local strawberries	10 for 35
Local raspberries	10 for 35
Local blueberries	10 for 35
Local blackberries	10 for 35
Local currants	10 for 35
Local gooseberries	10 for 35
Local huckleberries	10 for 35
Local elderberries	10 for 35
Local mulberries	10 for 35
Local figs	10 for 35
Local dates	10 for 35
Local pineapples	10 for 35
Local melons	10 for 35
Local watermelons	10 for 35
Local cantaloupes	10 for 35
Local honeydews	10 for 35
Local muskmelons	10 for 35
Local pumpkins	10 for 35
Local squash	10 for 35
Local zucchini	10 for 35
Local eggplants	10 for 35
Local okra	10 for 35
Local green beans	10 for 35
Local yellow beans	10 for 35
Local kidney beans	10 for 35
Local lima beans	10 for 35
Local pinto beans	10 for 35
Local navy beans	10 for 35
Local chickpeas	10 for 35
Local lentils	10 for 35
Local mung beans	10 for 35
Local soybeans	10 for 35
Local black beans	10 for 35
Local red beans	10 for 35
Local white beans	10 for 35
Local green peas	10 for 35
Local yellow peas	10 for 35
Local black peas	10 for 35
Local red peas	10 for 35
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Local black peas	10 for 35
Local red peas	10 for 35
Local white peas	10 for 35

Markets Will Be Closed on Monday

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—All Canadian dollar and commodity markets will be closed Monday, Christmas Day, and will be open Tuesday morning as usual.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Major commodity markets, including the Chicago Board of Trade, were closed today and will not resume business until next Tuesday morning.

BAR GOLD AT LONDON

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—Price of bar gold in London today was \$219 an ounce in terms of the Canadian dollar, based on the quotation price of 125 1/2 and the quotation of sterling in Montreal at \$309 5-8. Yesterday the Canadian equivalent was \$214.

Money Markets

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP).—Money 1-2 per cent. Discount rates: Short bills, 1-1/4 to 1-1/2; three-month bills, 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 per cent.

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A Musician's Dilemma

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An Argument on Gambling

By C. M. Payne



KRAZY KAT

By Herriman



Your Health and Your Weight

GETTING RID OF LIQUIDS IN THOSE WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT

By JAS. W. BARTON, M.D.

A professional wrestler, one of the claimants for the world's heavy-weight championship, was asked by a physician how he kept up his weight, despite the fact that he was wrestling almost every night and taking off six to eight pounds each night.

"Why," he said, "I simply take plenty of liquids, so as not to let my system become dehydrated (losing too much water)."

Boxers and jockeys, to whom weight means their very livelihood, watch their intake of liquids even more carefully than the starches—bread, potatoes, sugar. As they call it, they must keep "dried out" if they are to make the required weight.

Notwithstanding the above, the great majority of those who are overweight continue to drink plenty of tea, coffee and water, with the general idea that liquids are good for them as they dilute the cells of the body and help wash away the fat. They believe that liquids cannot possibly make them any heavier, that liquids are good for them.

I have pointed out before that in those who are carrying an excess of fat, the tissues seem to open a little wider, as it were, and take in more water. Or, as the physiologist says, "fat tissues have a higher threshold (admit more) for water, or liquids of any kind."

It is for this reason that it is advisable that those who are overweight should not drink the quantity of fluids they think they need, because it simply adds more weight that is absolutely unnecessary.

Thus this extra weight from the water, in addition to the extra

are the important factors in disturbing the kidneys so that they do not rid the body of liquids so readily.

I have spoken before about the penalties of overweight, (a) poor life insurance risk, (b) poor surgical risk, (c) more likely to attacks of illness or infection, (d) more likely to develop diabetes, (e) more likely to have heart, kidney, and blood vessel troubles.

Now being overweight doesn't mean that you are bound to have any of the above troubles, but the cold, hard figures of our insurance companies and health departments prove that you are more likely to have them than are those of normal weight.

The thought about liquids, then, is that everybody, including overweight, needs liquids, but that as fat tissues hold more liquid anyway, and liquids are not handled as well by the kidneys in those who are overweight, cutting the liquids down to the actual need, not the desire, should be the rule in overweight individuals.

ASTHMA

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"All is not asthma that wheezes" is a remark that is attributed to Dr. Chevalier Jackson. This statement suggests, very rightly, that every severe paroxysm of difficult breathing is not true asthma. Attacks of this type may result from any obstruction or pressure which prevents the free flow of air in the lungs from the larger to the smallest of the bronchial tubes.

Asthma and hay fever are similar conditions. The effects of hay fever are confined to the eyes and nose, while asthma involves the bronchial tubes. The cause is frequently the same—a hypersensitiveness to cer-

tain proteins or allergens. An asthmatic person is an allergic person.

The proteins or allergens which cause the trouble are found in dust. House dust is composed largely of materials of animal origin, coming from such articles as feather pillows, carpets and woollens. When these are breathed in, they carry the material to which the individual is hypersensitive.

Some people develop asthma because they react to certain foods, such as cereals, eggs, strawberries, fruits and nuts. Indeed, the list of foods which may be responsible is a very long one, because most foods contain some vegetable or animal protein. Other causes arise out of a hypersensitive condition to the bacteria or germs which may be lodged in nose, throat or teeth.

Attacks of asthma are particularly distressing, and alarm those who have not previously witnessed a severe attack. There is no need for alarm in so far as the attack is concerned, because the attacks are not fatal. In the asthmatic who is emotional, it is desirable to avoid excitement and to maintain a quiet manner of life.

From what has been said, it is obvious that the hope of cure depends upon finding the protein or allergen to which the individual is hypersensitive, and then to overcome the condition by appropriate treatment, or to avoid the responsible protein by omitting it from the diet.

Cases should come under treatment early because of the damage that may be done during the course of the disease. Every person suffering from asthma should seek his own cure, under the guidance of his family doctor, following with patience and diligence the treatment that is prescribed for him.

You can tell a civilized country. It's one where people kill the birds and then spend millions to fight insects.

That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

PRESERVING YOUR EYESIGHT

If every youngster could be shown that Babe Ruth, Bill Tilden and Bobby Jones, the outstanding performers in baseball, golf and tennis respectively, owed their success as much to good eyesight as to any physical ability, more care would be taken of the eyes.

The Sight-Saving Review tells us that throughout the entire country, when the school term begins and the children have their eyes tested, one in every eight is found to have defective eyesight.

Fortunately, almost all defective vision can be corrected if proper care is taken.

Sometimes the defective vision is due to some infection in the system, such as infected teeth or tonsils, and when this is removed the eyes soon come back to normal. I have spoken before about an outstanding infection of the eye, that of a famous fly-inger who began to make such poor landings that he was sent to hospital for observation. The eye-sight was found to be defective, but as one of the tonsils was badly infected the tonsils were removed instead of prescribing glasses. A few weeks afterwards the vision was back to normal and he was able to make perfect landings thereafter.

Although school buildings, dormitories, books and other equipment are provided to protect the eyesight, our homes and our own habits often result in poor eyesight.

closely as possible if we are to preserve our precious gift of sight:

1. Read with a clear, good light falling from above over your left shoulder.

2. Hold your book about fourteen inches from your eyes.

3. Keep your books clean; a soiled page is hard to read.

4. Always read with your head up.

5. Avoid books printed indistinctly, in small type, or on glossy paper.

6. Read your eyes frequently.

7. If your eyes ache or if you have trouble seeing things distinctly, you should have your eyes examined.

As we think over the above rules most of us must admit that we regularly break most of them.

Remember, your eyes cannot be replaced.

Farmers Hold Session

The South Saanich Farmers' Institute held its regular meeting at the Temperance Hall, East Saanich Road, on Thursday night. Cecil Tice, of the Department of Agriculture, gave a very interesting address on the world's seed competition, held at Regina, this year. Mr. Tice also told of the useful work being carried on by the Seed Growers' Union, and advised the farmers to enroll in same. The report of delegates to the Victoria conference was heard. Many resolutions were approved at the conference, which will have their effects on the farmer, they were told. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Tice for his interesting talk. W. O. Michell presided.

They took their seats in the carriage. Mac took out his pipe and lit it. "Hello, mon," said Mac, "where did ye get that cigar?"

"A body gave it to me," replied Sandy, preparing to light it. "I dinna ken," replied the other. "I haven't smoked it yet."

THE TUTTS ... By Crawford Young

THE STOCKING

By CLYDE WILLIAMS

The Daily Cross-Word Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Pear-shaped fruit.
4. To cast.
9. Small pocket.
12. Philippine yam.
13. Afterwards.
14. Fear.
15. French city.
17. Shrank.
19. Braided.
21. Obtained.
22. Ring of light.
24. Goddess of harvest.
26. Forest.
28. Encourages.
31. Tibetan ox.
32. Kind of whisky.
34. Part of body.
37. Humorist.
38. Note of scale.
40. Type measures.
42. Bright star.
44. Carried.
46. Dry wine.
48. To place.
50. Free ticket.
51. To learn.
53. Bracing.
55. Undressed.
58. Small bag.
61. Meadow.
62. To soar.
64. Caustic material.
65. Weapon.
66. Severe.
67. Poetic: even.

DOWN
2. Fondles.
3. Teutonic Fable.
5. Palm leaf.
6. By means of.
7. Small point.
8. Small perforation.
10. Number.
16. Pronoun.
18. Faint.
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HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

By J. P. Alley

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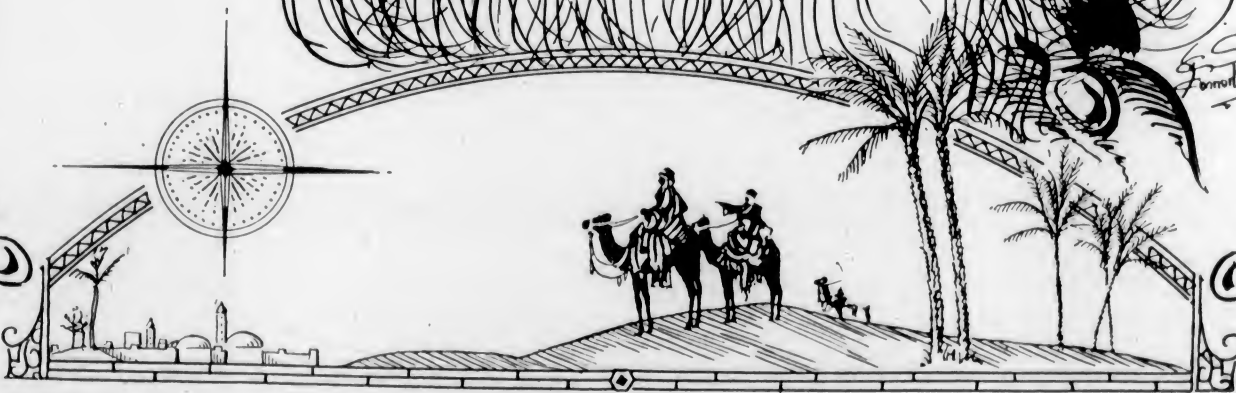
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THE RED GLASS BOWL

THE five little Andersons, with Peanut crowded close in among them, pressed their noses against the shining plate-glass window of Mr. Phibbs' Cut-Price Jewelry Store, and breathed as one. Their gaze was concentrated with a single intentness on the red glass bowl which stood on the second shelf of the window display. It was the most beautiful thing in the window.

The bowl was about five inches across, deep garnet red in color, and with the most beautiful curlicues painted on it in gold. More precious than rubies, fairer than samite—and the price marked above it was only forty-nine cents, a great fortune to the five little Andersons, but cheap compared to other things in the window.

Sis, the oldest, sighed profoundly. She was ten and wise in the ways of the street, and she knew that they must move on in a minute. Mr. Phibbs did not like children's noses pressed against his window.

"If you all like it as much as I do, I'll talk to him," said Sis. "We've got eleven cents between us."

The four little Andersons murmured ecstatically, and Peanut gave a yelp, his woolly, non-descript body quivering, his black eyes adoringly fixed on Sis' face.

"O.K.," said Sis, very business-like. "I'll go in alone. He wouldn't want us all in there. He's rich, Mr. Phibbs is, and that gives him leave to holler. 'I'll give him the eleven cents and ask him to keep it for us till Christmas. Then we can get the rest of the money and give it to Mummy for her present. Won't she be tickled?'"

The four faces regarding her fixedly shone with pure joy. They all turned back again to look into the window.

"Now, Edith, you hold George's hand, and Maggie and Tillie, stand right together, and don't, on no account, go away from the window till I come out. Peanut, you stand right there, and don't you move!"

Peanut's stumpy tail vibrated, as the children groined themselves obediently.

"And mind, now, if he'll keep it for us, don't ask Mummy for one cent. It wouldn't be fair to get the money off her for her own Christmas present."

SIS paused at the door, gathering up her courage. Mr. Phibbs was really a terrible man, with his great grey and black beard and his shining bald head, and bushy eyebrows over eyes that looked more hard and shiny than anything in his store. Mr. Phibbs was known to be cross, and he was rich, which, in Sis' mind, added to his ogre-like qualities. But fear that some passing shopper would see the red glass bowl and instantly desire it goaded Sis to heroic effort. She opened the heavy door and went in.

Behind the counter Mr. Phibbs towered, a giant in his black coat and beetling brows.

"Mr. Phibbs, please—"

"Sis Anderson, get those kids away from my window. I wash that window every day, and I want no sniveling—"

"Mr. Phibbs, please. We want to buy sumpin'."

Mr. Phibbs paused. She did not look as though she could buy much of anything, but you never could tell.

"Mr. Phibbs, that red glass bowl in the window—we want it for Mummy, for Christmas. But we haven't got enough money."

"I couldn't mark it down another cent," said Mr. Phibbs instantly. "It's already been marked down from a dollar. It's simulated cut glass. It's an imported piece. The gold on it is pure leaf gold."

"Oh, we wouldn't ask you to mark it down," protested Sis. "But we wanted to ask you to save it back for us."

"I couldn't do that either," said Mr. Phibbs. "Not for eleven cents deposit!" said Sis. "We've got eleven cents, and we'll give it to you. We'll bring the rest of the money in as we get it—the other thirty-eight cents, I mean."

Mr. Phibbs paused.

"All right," he said, and was oddly startled at the glow in Sis' face, the epitome of rapture that lit it extravagantly. But look here, now, Sis Anderson," he said sharply—he was a little confused by that pure Christmas light—"look here, now! If you don't bring in the money, you'll lose what you've paid. I can't hold that bowl, and take a chance on not selling it, for nothing."

"Oh, no, Mr. Phibbs. We wouldn't want you to do that. We'll—we'll take a chance on the eleven cents."

Sis paused and began to leave, one foot at a time, reluctantly. "It's ten days to Christmas," she said. "We'll get it the day before Christmas, Mr. Phibbs."

"If you get some more money, you'd better bring it in here to me," he told her. "You might lose it."

She beamed at his kindness, and again he was astonished. She opened and closed the heavy door, and Peanut received her return with ecstasy.

The weather was mild, and the streets sloopy. Melting snow made a mess of the walks. Sis marshaled her family. George was short and fat. He was only two. Mother told Sis every day not to carry him, that he was too heavy for her, that he must learn to walk wherever they went. But Mother was no sooner out of sight than George got in front of Sis and hiked up his little leg.

"Dorge tired," he would say, and not budge another step.

SIS would lift him then, a staggering weight for her frail height, and lug him along with her. Edith, next to Sis, was eight, and the twins, Maggie and Tillie, were five, and then came ol' fat George, as the girls called him, following after his sisters, imposing on them, boosing them, to their hearts' complete content. It was the first belief of the four little Anderson girls that George was the cutest baby in town. He was a darling, he was so sweet, and whenever he cried they were all thrown into the most extreme sorrow and compassion, running eagerly to get what he liked, and doing all that they could do—and it was considerable—to appease him.

Each school day Sis and Edith took the three little ones to the neighborhood free nursery before they went to school, but school was out until after New Year's, and Sis was in full charge.

All looked trustfully to her now, and all the little faces shone with the same rapture that



They gave the present to her just as fast as they could get inside the door, all crying shrilly, "Christmas present—Christmas present!"

had so oddly disturbed and upset Mr. Phibbs and made him sharper than usual, as Sis told them that Mr. Phibbs had taken the eleven cents and was going to keep the bowl for them until the day before Christmas. They looked once more, feeling entitled now, as cash customers, to look at the red glass bowl already practically their own.

Sis drew them gently away and got them started toward home.

They crossed a busy thoroughfare, bunched together for safety, turned down a block and came to a narrow stairway that led up above a fur store to the loft overhead. Sis unlocked the door, after they had thumped up together, and Peanut crowded between their heels and was the first inside. The three rooms were surprisingly light and clean. Part of the day the sun peered into the big front room, and the two small rooms beyond. There were two beds in this front room, one for Sis and Edith, one for the twins. Mother slept in the small bedroom beside the kitchen, and she had a crib for George by her bed. There was no window in mother's room. The children played in the big front room, but they ate, worked, and did their lessons in the kitchen. A single electric bulb dangled there, the only one in the loft. But no light was needed in the front room. After dark a glow from the street lamp poured beneficently through the unblinded windows.

The beds were made; the rooms were clean and orderly. Lately Sis had appreciated Mummy with a new and painful knowledge of her difficulties.

Mummy was proud. "This is our home," she told them. "We must keep it as nice as we can."

Mummy rose early and cleaned the loft before she went to work. Mummy came home at night with groceries and cooked them a good supper.

Mummy liked their loft. "It's nice here," she told them. "We have it much better than lots of people, and we're never sick. We're lucky, that's what we are!"

Now Sis plopped George down in his high chair, pulled off his sweater and leggings that had once been hers, while the twins and Edith took off their nondescript wraps and hung them on the low hooks Mummy had screwed inside the kitchen door. Edith set out the dishes on the oilcloth-covered table, and Sis dipped sliced bread in a little milk, and fried it in dripping, and served it with molasses. The children ate it greedily. All the while they talked.

"And you mustn't tell Mummy, Maggie and Tillie. You mustn't say one word. And George, don't you dust to let it out, or I'll spank you proper!"

"Eat," said George, and the girls laughed aloud at this witticism.

George emptied his plate and put it on his head and puffed out his cheeks, and no comedian on earth could ask for an audience more convulsed with mirth. Then, without warning, the little boy laid his cheek on his spoon and went instantly to sleep. Sis picked him up gently, and took him in and put him in his crib. She wiped the molasses from his hair and face with a wet wash-cloth and covered him warmly, shoes and all. There he would sleep until Mummy came home a little after five.

The little girls busied themselves with the dishes. Sis put two pieces of coal in the range and shut off the dampers, and they went into the front room.

Now the little mother sat down with pencil and paper and confronted the vast problem of thirty-eight cents. It was a tremendous sum, and she had only eight days. Five cents a day she needed. If she could only get six! It would be much wiser to count on six cents a day. That would take only seven days, and Sunday Mummy was at home. Her mind ranged the neighborhood but found little to encourage it. Mummy absolutely would not let her leave the loft after the early winter dusk had fallen, and all day Sis had to watch the kids.

For a moment Sis was daunted, thinking of their eleven cents. They could have got Mummy something at the dime store with that. But the vision of the red glass bowl with its gold curlicues came before her eyes and steadied her. They had to do it! It was,

most likely, the only Christmas present Mummy would have, and she ought to have something really grand, like the red glass bowl.

There must be some way she could manage it! There must be! She saw that Maggie had tumbled over sideways on the bed, sound asleep. Sis said quietly to Edith and Tillie:

"I'm going downstairs to see Mrs. Hepstein. You two be good, and don't waken Maggie, and you won't have any trouble. And don't let anybody in but me."

"What are you going down there for, Sis?"

"I want to see if she'll let me work for her until Christmas. I could work a while every day—"

But Mrs. Hepstein was not hospitable to the idea. It was not unkindness.

"You got enough to do, you baby," she said gently. "You can't take on any more chores."

"It's for a Christmas present for Mummy."

"Your Ma wouldn't want you working extra for any present for her," said Mrs. Hepstein. "She doesn't want any Christmas present from you kids except for you to be good."

"Of course she wants a Christmas present," said Sis indignantly. "Everybody wants one, and Mummy loves presents."

"I don't think it's right," said Mrs. Hepstein firmly. "Your Ma pays the rent every month, and she keeps you kids fed and dressed, and that's enough Christmas present for any widow in these hard times. And you go off working and leave them alone, and they'll be throwing water like they did the last time."

Sis looked guiltily at the streak on the stove pipe that went through the ceiling of the store.

On the street she paused. She cocked an ear up the stairway. All was quiet above, and she ventured to the corner.

"Hey, Spike," she said to the forty-year-old newsboy who had a stand there. "Let me deliver some papers for you, will you?"

She unfolded the plan to him.

Spike listened cynically. "Kiss your 'leven cents good-bye, Sis," he told her. "You'll never see it again. Old Phibbs done you out of it."

Sis was staunch. "You let me deliver papers for you, and see."

"O.K. Half a cent a paper—twelve papers, every day at noon. I got some customers would like the noon edition in their stores before lunch every day, now they can't get out at noon on account of Christmas trade. I'll give you the papers, and six cents after you deliver 'em. But you've got to be here at eleven-thirty sharp, and no missing!"

Sis rushed home, radiant. Her pencil did astonishing things on the paper. She would have to leave out Sunday, when the stores were closed. But the other seven days would give her forty-two cents on the day before Christmas, at noon.

There was no way to manage it, save in a body. So the next day, before half-past eleven, the five little Andersons and Peanut, all in a terrific fever of excitement, were at the newsstand. Spike, true to his word, gave Sis the twelve noon editions and a list of the stores where she was to deliver them.

It took them an hour to deliver the twelve papers, and Spike gave Sis a nickel and a penny, and they all took it to Mr. Phibbs before they returned home for their lunch. Mr. Phibbs had taken the red glass bowl out of the window and put it on a shelf behind him. There it glowed like a ruby, and Sis felt that Spike had sadly mislaid Mr. Phibbs.

The three days left of the week added eighteen cents to their collection.

Another four days. On Thursday they would get the bowl, and Christmas was Friday.

Sunday was always a happy day for the five little Andersons. Mummy was home all day. Her presence brightened the loft. They had many jokes and games, all of them got a good

cuddling, things even tasted differently. The Hepsteins were gone. No one cared how much noise they made.

At this particular Sunday there was a delightful air of conspiracy among the children. Screams and hands clapped over mouths saved the secret more than once. Sis and Edith were, frozen with terror, but she seemed to notice nothing. Once Maggie gave things clear away, but Mummy had the far-away look in her eyes, and when she looked like that she never heard at all, so Sis breathed freely again.

Late in the afternoon a freezing wind began to blow, and the early dusk was hastened by great clouds of snow that filled the street and danced and whirled about the street lamp. Sis watched it in anguish. Monday morning it was bitter cold. The world was white with a deep, new snow. Mummy left while George and the twins were still sleeping, left Edith and Sis in charge. She was firm in her farewell.

"You must not go out—any of you—no matter what, unless the place burns down!" she added, smiling a little to hide this ancient fear. "One of you kids, even with a cold, would be too much right now. Sis, I put you on your honor—don't leave the house!"

"But, Mummy, maybe I'll have to go out."

"No," said Mummy. "No, you don't. Your shoes aren't fit."

Obediently she stayed within doors.

It was not until Wednesday afternoon that Sis and the children were allowed to venture forth into the streets again. By then the twins were definitely irritable. Edith had cried all morning. Sis was silent, weighed down by the loss of the red glass bowl. And how they missed their daily excursions into the street, these little Andersons!

They went at once to Mr. Phibbs' store to learn the worst. Again Sis lined them up outside, while she went in alone.

"I've been looking for your every day," said Mr. Phibbs, astonished. "I was worried if you was sick or something."

Sis, with the dignity of tragedy, told him what had happened.

Mr. Phibbs listened. He looked at the little face from which the transfiguring light was gone. He sucked his lower lip. Strange things threatened Mr. Phibbs.

"You come back tomorrow, anyhow," he told her—but Sis saw no good to come of that.

In the street again, she and the little ones lingered, a doleful group. George, at the expression of Sis' face, puckered up to cry.

Mrs. Hepstein came out of the store next door, and spoke to them, and stooped and patted ol' fat George's cheek. Her purse slipped from under her arm, the clasp broke on the walk, and some change rolled out. A quarter wheeled directly toward Sis, by the window, and quicker than that her foot was on it, and she stood staring into the window, her quick, shallow breath making a fog on the glass. Edith helped Mrs. Hepstein gather up the money and put it all into her hand, and Mrs. Hepstein gave Edith a penny.

Still Sis stood, face averted, struggling, convulsed. But she could not do it. Reluctantly, slowly, she lifted her foot out of the quarter burned like a hot coal, and moved a little, still gazing into the store front.

If Mrs. Hepstein didn't see it—if she went on without it—then the revelation was complete, and Sis stooped and picked up the quarter and held it out in her hand.

"I guess you didn't see this."

It seemed to Sis that Mrs. Hepstein's black eyes plunged into the depths of her soul, but she only said quietly:

"Thank you, Sis. And here's a penny for you, too."

"No—no, thanks—"

Sis, red and shame-



By
MARGARET W. JACKSON

facied, and Mrs. Hepstein went on her way down the street.

Sis immediately took Edith's penny away from her and took it in to Mr. Phibbs.

"You come back tomorrow—don't forget," he told her.

THAT night, after the little ones were asleep, Mummy left Sis and Peanut in charge, with the door safely bolted, and went out. She came back loaded down with burdens. There was something for each of them. A jumping jack and a ball for ol' fat George, small dolls for the twins, a pencil box and tablet for Edith. There was even a tiny, imitation Christmas tree, with some bright balls from the dime store, and popcorn to pop in the skillet and string on red wool. Mummy hid one package, and Sis knew that was for her! Mummy had spent three round, silver dollars in the cheap stores of the neighborhood, and she had a present for each one, and candy and nuts, and an orange and a banana apiece, and meat for a Christmas pot-roast.

Sis was choked with love and sorrow. How lucky they were to have Mummy! That was their luck, nothing else. And they had no Christmas present for her. Oh, if Sis had not been so wild for the red glass bowl! If she had saved their eleven cents, and added the eighteen cents to it, and the penny from Mrs. Hepstein, it would make thirty cents. They might have bought Mummy a big bottle of perfume with that. It was cruel not to have a gift for the one best of all!

She and Mummy hid the things away until Christmas Eve. Then they would hang up the little ones' stockings; they would fix the tree.

"Edith knows there isn't any Santa, but let's surprise her anyhow, Mummy."

"All right," Mummy agreed, her face shining with pride at the beautiful Christmas she had for her babies.

At noon the next day Mummy came home and found her tribe gone out. This gave her a chance to turn up the hem of the new dress she had for Sis.

OUT on the street the five little Andersons pressed their noses against the window of Mr. Phibbs' Cut-Price Jewelry Store. Customers went in and out. And there, in the window, was the red glass bowl, with a card in it on which was printed the word "Sold." Sis sighed. Edith struggled with tears. The twins were heavy with woe. Ol' fat George said "tired" in vain, and Peanut sat dejectedly. Mr. Phibbs opened the door, and instinctively the five little Andersons drew back.

Mr. Phibbs beckoned to Sis. His face was shining with pleasure. He grinned at them.

"I was looking for you," he said. "Did you come for your bowl?"

Sis faltered, staring at him hypnotized. The others waited to take their cue from her. Mr. Phibbs plucked Sis by the sleeve.

"Come inside, Sis Anderson."

She followed him. The door closed behind her. Mr. Phibbs took the red glass bowl out of the window.

"Everything in the store we marked down, is marked down today to twenty-nine cents. Just think of that, for a bowl once priced a dollar. Stimulated cut glass, and absolutely pure gold leaf decoration. For such a price! A hard bargain you drive with me, young lady—waiting off until I mark the goods down. It's all ready for you, and you get a penny in change. And would you like it, wrapped plain, or for a Christmas present?"

"For a present," said Sis weakly, while slowly, incredulously, the light which had become oddly essential to Mr. Phibbs poured its pure color over her small face.

Mr. Phibbs, as happy as Sis herself, put the bowl in a white box and wrapped it around with white tissue-paper and tied it with red baby ribbon. He handed it over the counter to her politely, and with a brand-new penny that looked like gold.

He "politely," as he would have said, looked like Santa Claus. His great eyebrows thinned and spread on his bald brow in a double arch. Let each man be measured by his soul's capacity, and it was Christmas in Mr. Phibbs' wintry heart. Sis and the little Andersons had been too much for him.

Dazedly Sis murmured her thanks and walked out of the store spellbound.

No chance ever was borne more proudly or sacredly through the streets than the red glass bowl. Sis was pigeon-toed and almost cross-eyed with the effort by the time she reached the stairs safely. Ol' fat George walked all the way, and the twins guarded Sis on either side, and Edith and Peanut brought up the rear so that no one might jolt her.

Of course, they could not wait to give it to Mummy. There was no slightest possibility of their waiting until Christmas morning. They gave the present to her just as fast as they could get inside the door of the loft, all crying shrilly.

"Christmas present—Christmas present!"

Mummy took it with dramatic astonishment. Her loud outcry and joy were satisfactory to the most greedy heart. Mummy actually cried, and hugged and kissed them all. Mummy couldn't believe it was really for her.

"But it looks so awful expensive," said Mummy. "However could you afford it? And for me! I've always wanted a red glass bowl—all my life I've wanted one!"

She put it in the middle of the kitchen table. She went on and on. Her audience knew no surfeit. They told her about it, singly and in chorus. They stood, six of them, around the table, with Peanut's forepaws and his black nose in their midst, and ol' fat George on tiptoe, one chubby hand on either side of round eyes that just could see over the table top.

"Did you notice the curlicues, Mummy?"

"It's similar cut glass."

"Mummy—see how the light shines through it."

"Mr. Phibbs marked it down last night," said Sis. "We thought we didn't have enough

money, but he marked it down and gave us a penny in change."

"God love him for that!" cried Mummy. "It's the nicest present I ever had in my life—my beautiful red glass bowl!"

The Man Jack Johnson Avoided

By EUGENE CORRIE (Noted British Referee)

A TRAGIC fight I once witnessed took place at the National Sporting Club, when that gamest of sailors, Tom Sharkey, was matched with Gus Ruhlin for a stake of £1,500 and £500 a side.

Ruhlin was an American from Ohio, and at the ringside odds were given that he could never stand up against such a rugged two-handed fighter. Both men were fit as careful training could make them, and from the very commencement Sharkey went for his opponent with the plain intention of putting him down and out as soon as possible.

Ruhlin was encompassed by a hurricane of hooks, swings and jabs, but through the first five rounds, he kept as cool as ice. Nothing seemed to bother him, but when it was obvious that Sharkey had shot his bolt, he commenced to fight in real earnest. From then onwards, till the eleventh round, when the sailor's seconds threw in the towel, Sharkey was but a chopping block for his bigger opponent.

It was a pitiful sight to see that battered figure trying his utmost to fight back, to get that one chance of a tremendous punch that might yet win him the contest.

The Art of Publicity

EVEN in 1906 professional boxers understood the art of publicity, though perhaps not so well as their prototypes of today. An example of this fact was the Irishman, Jim Casey, who modestly stated that, outside Bob Fitzsimmons himself, there was none who could have given him a hiding. It was suggested that he should meet Gunner Moir, but one bold journalist tackled him on the subject.

"If you can fight as well as you can talk, Jim Casey," he said, "then you're one hell of a fighter!"

The journalist was a good judge of men, for in the ensuing contest for £250, Moir began by clipping Casey squarely on the jaw. The punch seemed to take the life out of the Irishman, for in the eighth round the affair was stopped in the interests of mercy. Sam Langford—one of the "whitest" blacks I have ever met, and popularly known as the "Tar Baby"—was one of the few men in this world who could have given the great Jack Johnson a beating. At this time he met "Tiger" Smith, who had already been beaten by Moir, and it was ludicrous to see the way in which the black handled his man. Even for a negro, the "Tar Baby" was a pretty ugly specimen, but as a boxer he was superb. He was also modest, and in this respect might serve as an example to some of our later day fighting men.

Once when he was especially asked to a big dinner at Olympia, just prior to his match with Bill Lang, the Australian, he made every excuse for a refusal. At last, when pressed for a definite reason, he said: "Waal! It's like this, I'd sure like to attend the dinner, but I just can't. You see I am black."

Though standing five feet six and a half inches, Sam was very nearly perfect from a physical point of view. He had a strong, almost perversely sense of humor. In his fight with Lang, after I had disqualified the Australian for hitting his opponent when he was "down," Sam rushed to me almost with tears in his eyes.

"That's all right, Mr. Corrie," he said. "Don't you bother about no fouls—that man's going down next punch!"

A Sad Mistake

A FURTHER instance occurred when he was boxing a three-round exhibition with another negro. It was a "charity show," and Langford did not want to extend himself unduly. He took his opponent on one side before they went into the ring.

"Listen," said Sam, "We're going to make a nice little round figure. No rough stuff remember, or I'll put you to sleep good and proper!"

In the first round all was going well, till the other negro took the chance of landing a hefty wallop on Sam's jaw. Just then the gong clanged for time and when again resuming the fight, Langford strode over to his opponent and shook his glove.

"What's this," exclaimed his opponent, "This ain't the last round!"

"Oh, yes it is," replied Sam.

Whereupon he gave him a right hook that sent him flying through the ropes.

Jack Johnson and Langford met but once, and that was in 1906, over a fifteen-round contest. Johnson got the verdict on points, but never again could he be persuaded to meet Sam again, though the latter traveled halfway around the world in order to accomplish it. He was one of those who believed in speed, punch and staying power.

"I had nobody," he once said to me, when I had been trying to get him a match. "Sis makes no difference at all. The bigger they are the easier they are to hit, and the harder they fall!"

Results in Long Walk

TALKING of physical fitness reminds me of the time, just over four years earlier, when I happened to call in at G.W.'s in the Strand, where I met "Spike" Sullivan. He was in hard training and happened to remark that he didn't care for late nights and wished he was back in his quarters in Hertfordshire.

"Are you game to walk there?" I replied jokingly.

"Of course," said he, "if you'll walk with me!"

Whereupon we set off, and though I was walking in tall coat, top hat and buttoned boots, I kept up a steady four miles an hour for the twenty-seven miles. Fortunately it was a fine summer night, and I managed to catch an early train which brought me back to the Stock Exchange by ten the next morning.

CHRISTMAS BREAD

By
KATHLEEN NORRIS

"BUT what time will your operation be over, mother?" A silence. The surgeon opened three letters, looked at them, tore them in two, cast them aside, glanced at her newspaper, glanced at her coffee cup, and took a casual sip of the smoking liquid. But she did not answer.

"If you were thr-r-rough at eleven o'clock—" Merle began again hopefully. "I could go to the hospital with Miss Frothingham," she suggested, "and wait for you."

"I thought Miss Frothingham was going to take you to Miss Winchester's?" Dr. Madison countered in surprise. "Don't you want to spend Christmas Day with little Betty?" she went on, easily, half-absently. "It seems to me that it was extremely nice of Mrs. Winchester to want you to come. Most people want only their own families on Christmas Day."

"I would like my own family, too, on Christmas," the child said half daring, half-uncertain.

"Ring the bell, dear," her mother said from the newspaper.

"I wish I didn't know what you were going to give me for Christmas, mother!"

"You what?"

"I wish I didn't know what you were going to give me!"

Silence.

"For Christmas, you know?" Merle prompted. "I love your present. I love to have a little desk all my own. But I would rather have it a surprise, and run down Christmas morning to see what it was!"

Tears came into the little girl's eyes. "It doesn't seem—much—like Christmas," she murmured under her breath. "To have you in the surgery all morning, and me with the Winchester, that aren't my relations at all—"

"Tell me exactly what you had planned to do, Merle," her mother suggested reasonably. "Perhaps we can manage it for some other day. What did you especially want to do?"

The kindly, logical tone was that of the surgeon used to matters no less vital than life and death. Merle raised her round, childish eyes to her mother's pleasant, keen ones. Nothing more was said until Lizzie came in for the orders.

"Dear me, I miss Miss Frothingham!" said Doctor Madison then. "Tell Ada to use her own judgment, Lizzie. Tell her—you might have chicken again. That doesn't spoil in case I'm late."

"You wouldn't have a turkey, Doctor? Tomorrow's Christmas, you know."

"Well—if Ada thinks so. I don't particularly care for turkey—yes, we may as well have turkey."

Then she was gone, and there was a long, lonely day ahead for her small daughter. But Merle was accustomed to them. She went into the kitchen and watched as Ada and Ada's friend, Mrs. Catawba Hercules, until Miss Watson came. Then she had a music lesson and a French lesson, and after lunch she posted herself at a front window to watch the streets and wait for pretty Miss Frothingham, who filled the double post of secretary and governess, and who had gone home yesterday to her sister's house for a Christmas visit.

OUTSIDE was Christmas weather. All morning the streets had been bare and dark and swept with menacing winds that hurried and buffeted the marketing and shopping women. But at noon the leaden sky had turned darker and darker, and crept lower and lower, and as Merle watched, the first timid snowflakes began to flutter whitely against the general greyness.

By this time Miss Frothingham was back again and was helping Merle into the picturesque black velvet dress with the deep lace collar. Merle, spitting through the blue embroidered cloth while her face was being washed, asked how Miss Frothingham's little niece had liked her doll.

"Oh, my dear, she doesn't get it until she comes downstairs tomorrow morning, of course!"

"Will your sister's little girls have a tree?"

"Oh, my yes! It's a gorgeous tree!"

"And did you see my cousins while you were there?"

Miss Frothingham nodded. Her married sister lived next to Dr. Madison's brother, a struggling young engineer with a small family, in a certain not-too-fashionable suburb. There had been a difference of opinion regarding a legacy, between the physician and her brother some years earlier, and a long silence had ensued.

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So here they all were again and the electric lights on their swinging cords were sending an eerie light over the miscellaneous shapes and contours of the attic.

Pyramids of books were on the floor, magazines tied in sizes with pink cord, curtains, all the gathered driftwood of sixty years of living was strewn and packed and heaped and hung about.

"Here, here's a wonderful patent preserving kettle, do you suppose they could use that? And what about these four terrible patent rockers?"

"Oh, Mrs. Madison, I imagine they would be only too delighted! Their idea is to open a regular store, you know, and make the sale permanent. But ought you—"

"I ought to have done it years before! But Dr. Madison—" His widow's breast rose on a sharp sigh; she lost the words for a second. "Dr. Madison and I never lived here, you know," she resumed. "And I stayed abroad for years after his death, when Merle was a baby. And for a long time I was like a person dazed—" She stopped.

"I was alone—" Mary Madison said drearily and quietly, in a low tone, as if to herself. And in the three words, the younger caught a glimpse of all the tragedy and loneliness of widowhood. "Dr. Madison was so wise," she began again. "I've always thought that if he had lived my life would have been different."

"You lost your parents, I knew, and were you an only child?" Miss Frothingham ventured, after a respectful silence. But immediately the scarlet, apologetic color flooded her face, and she added hastily: "I beg your pardon. Of course, I know that you have a brother—I know Mr. Rutledge and his wife!"

"Yes, I have a brother," the doctor answered, rousing, and beginning briskly to assort and segregate again.

"Your brother is Tommy's and Rawley's and the baby's father," Merle broke in by announcing flatly.

Her mother looked at her with an indulgent half-smile.

"What do you know about them?" she asked good-naturedly. "You never saw them!"

"You told me once about them, when I was a teeny little girl," Merle reminded her. "So there's a third child?" Dr. Madison asked, musing. Miss Frothingham nodded.

"A gorgeous boy. The handsomest baby I ever saw! . . . John," she said.

"John was my father's name. Sad, isn't it?" Dr. Madison asked after a silence.

"A customer would buy lots of this just as it stands," Miss Frothingham murmured by way of answer.

"I mean when families quarrel," persisted the doctor.

"Oh, I think it is very sad!" the secretary said fervently.

"We were inseparable as children," Mary Madison said suddenly. "Tim is just a year younger than I."

SHE had risen, to fling open the top of one more trunk. Now she moved restlessly across the attic, and Merle, who did not know her mother in this mood, hopped after her.

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my brother and I never had a quarrel before," she added, after a space to the younger woman. "And this was never an open breach. It was just a misunderstanding—the wrong word said here, and the wrong construction put upon it there, and then resentment—and silence—our lives separated—"

She fell silent herself, but it was Merle, attentively watching her, who said now: "Their father's sick, and they aren't going to hang up their stockings!"

"Oh, they've had a great deal of trouble," Miss Frothingham added with a grave expression, as the older woman turned inquiring eyes



"Do You Remember Years Ago When You Used to Eat My Crusts for Me, Tommy?"

upon her. Mr. Rutledge has been ill for weeks, and the baby is quite small—six or seven months old, I presume.

"Why, he's a successful man!" his sister said impatiently, as the other paused.

"Oh, yes, they have a good Swedish girl, I know, and a little car, and all that! But I imagine this has been a terribly hard winter for them. They're lovely people, Dr. Madison."

But all the children in that neighborhood had whooping cough last fall, and I know Mrs. Rutledge got double pneumonia before Thanksgiving, and he hasn't been out of the house since."

"He's a wonderful boy!" Dr. Madison said in silence. "We were orphans, and he was a wonderful little brother to me. My grandparents were the stern, old-fashioned sort, but Timmy could put fun and life into punishment, even. Many an hour I've spent up here in this very attic with him, in disgrace."

She sat up and walked a few paces across the bare floor.

"What insanity brought me up to this attic on a snowy Christmas Eve!" she demanded abruptly, laughing, but with the tears in her eyes. "It all comes over me so—what life there was when Timmy and George—Merle's father—were in it! Poor little girl," she added, sitting down on a trunk and drawing Merle toward her. "You were to have seven brothers and sisters, and a big daddy to adore you and spoil you! And he had been two months in his grave when she was born," she added to the other woman.

"But then couldn't you afford to have all my brothers and sisters?" Merle demanded anxiously.

"It couldn't be managed, dear. Life gets unmanageable, sometimes," her mother answered, smiling a little sadly. "But a brother is a wonderful thing for a small girl to have. Everything has robbed this child," she added. "The silence between her uncle and me—her father's death—my profession. If I had been merely a general practitioner, as I was for three years," she went on, "there would have been a score of what we call 'O.P.'s, to fill her poor little stockings! But half my grateful patients hardly know me by sight, much less that I have a greedy little girl who has a stocking to be filled!"

"Mother, I love you," Merle said, for the first time in her life stirred by the unusual hour and mood, and by the tender, half-sorrowful, and all-loving voice she had never heard before.

"And I love you, little girl, even if I am too busy to show it!" her mother answered seriously. "But here! Do let's get done with this before we break our hearts!" she said briskly, in a sudden change of mood. And she sank upon her knees before a trunk and began vigorously to deal out its contents. "And I'll tell you what I'll do, Merle," her mother went on, briskly lifting out and inspecting garments of all sorts. "I'll go to see Mr. Waldteufel on Wednesday."

"Not Waldteufel of the Bazaar, mother?"

"The very same. You know your daddy and

I were boarding with his mother in Potsdam when the war broke out, and two years ago your mother saved his wife and his tiny baby—after two dear little babies had died. So he thinks a great deal of the Madisons, my dear, and he'll give me the very nicest things in that big shop for my little girl's stockings. And suppose you hang it up New Year's Eve this year, and next year—well, we won't say anything about next year now, but just you wait!"

"Oh, mother—mother!" Merle sang, her slippered feet dancing. "Here, this was my brother Timmy's sweater," said the doctor, taking a bulky little garment from the trunk. "How

A silence. Then Mrs. Rutledge said: "The worst is over, we hope. And the boys have been such a comfort!"

"They hung up their stockings," Merle commented in her deep, serious little voice.

"Yes, dear," their mother said eagerly, as if she were glad to have the little pause bridged. "But I'm afraid Santa Claus is going to be too busy to remember them this year! I've just been telling them that perhaps he wouldn't have time to put anything but some candy and some fruit in, this year!"

"They believe in Santa Claus," Merle remarked, faintly reproachful, to her mother. "But I'm younger than Tommy, and I don't!"

"But you may if you want to, dear!" Doctor Madison said, shaken and yet laughing, and kneeling down to put her arms about the little girl. "Cassie, what can I do for Tim?" she pleaded. "We've neither of us children. I don't have to say that I'm sorry—that it's all been a bad dream of coldness and stupidity."

"Oh, Molly—Molly!" The other woman faltered. And tears came into the eyes that had not known them for hard and weary weeks. "He was to blame more than you—I always said so. He knew it! And he did try to write you. He's grieved over it so. But when he met you in the street that day—"

"I know it! I know it! He was wrong—I was wrong—you were the only sensible one, the peacemaker between us!" the doctor said eagerly and quickly.

TWO small shabby boys in pyjamas had come solemnly in from the direction of the kitchen, whence also proceeded the fretting of a baby. Merle was introduced to Tommy and Rawley, and was shy. But she immediately took full charge of the baby.

"Santa Claus may not give us anything but apples and stuff," Rawley, who was six, confided. "Because Dad was sick, and there are lots of poor children this year."

"And we aren't going to have any turkey because Dad and John couldn't have any, anyway!" Tommy added philosophically.

John was the baby, who now looked drowsily and sleepily at the company.

"He's getting a great, big, hard back tooth, Molly, at eight months," said his mother. "Isn't that early?"

"It seems so to me. I forgot! Any fever?"

"Oh, no, but his blessed little mouth is so hot! Timmy's asleep," said Cassie seriously. "But, Molly, if you could say to see him just a minute when he wakes! Could Merle—we have an extra bed in the little room right off the boys' room, where the nurse slept. She couldn't spend Christmas with the boys? That would be better than any present to us!"

She spoke as one hardly hoping, and Merle felt no hope whatever. But to the amazement of both, the handsome, resolute face softened, and the doctor merely said:

"Trot along to bed, then, Merle, with your cousins. But mind you don't make any noise. Remember Uncle Timmy is ill!"

Merle struggled her with a kiss. "Cassie, we've an enormous turkey—I'll send it over the first thing in the morning."

"But, Molly, when Tim knows you've been here, he'll not care about any turkey!"

"Their stockings—" mused the doctor, unhappily.

With a suddenly lighting face, after deep thought, she went to the telephone in the dining-room, and three minutes later a good husband and father, a mile away across the city, left his own child and the tree he was trimming, and went to answer her summons.

"Mr. Waldteufel? This is Doctor Madison." "Oh, Doctor!" came rushing the rich European voice. "Merry Christmas to you! I wish could you see our baby—so far we don't weigh him Sundays no more! He looks like—"

The surgeon's voice interrupted. There was excited interchange of words. Then the toy-like said:

There was that in the doctor's look that made the moment significant.

"Yes," said Merle's mother.

"I was always a stubborn child, and I hated the crusts of my bread, but they insisted that I eat them," said Mary Madison suddenly, in an odd, rather low voice. "I used to cry and fight about it, and—and Timmy used to eat them for me."

"Did he like them, mother?" Merle demanded, highly interested.

"Did he? No, I don't know that he did." Her voice stopped, and for a second she was silent.

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The women were talking in short sentences. "Cassie—how thin you are, child! And you look so tired!"

"Timmy's been so ill!"

"But he's better?"

"Oh, yes—but so weak still!"

A silence. Then Mrs. Rutledge said: "The worst is over, we hope. And the boys have been such a comfort!"

"They hung up their stockings," Merle commented in her deep, serious little voice.

"Yes, dear," their mother said eagerly, as if she were glad to have the little pause bridged. "But I'm afraid Santa Claus is going to be too busy to remember them this year! I've just been telling them that perhaps he wouldn't have time to put anything but some candy and some fruit in, this year!"

"They believe in Santa Claus," Merle remarked, faintly reproachful, to her mother. "But I'm younger than Tommy, and I don't!"

"But you may if you want to, dear!" Doctor Madison said, shaken and yet laughing, and kneeling down to put her arms about the little girl. "Cassie, what can I do for Tim?" she pleaded. "We've neither of us children. I don't have to say that I'm sorry—that it's all been a bad dream of coldness and stupidity."

"Oh, Molly—Molly!" The other woman faltered. And tears came into the eyes that had not known them for hard and weary weeks. "He was to blame more than you—I always said so. He knew it! And he did try to write you. He's grieved over it so. But when he met you in the street that day—"

"I know it! I know it! He was wrong—I was wrong—you were the only sensible one, the peacemaker between us!" the doctor said eagerly and quickly.

TWO small shabby boys in pyjamas had come solemnly in from the direction of the kitchen, whence also proceeded the fretting of a baby. Merle was introduced to Tommy and Rawley, and was shy. But she immediately took full charge of the baby.

"Santa Claus may not give us anything but apples and stuff," Rawley, who was six, confided. "Because Dad was sick, and there are lots of poor children this year."

"And we aren't going to have any turkey because Dad and John couldn't have any, anyway!" Tommy added philosophically.

John was the baby, who now looked drowsily and sleepily at the company.

"He's getting a great, big, hard back tooth, Molly, at eight months," said his mother. "Isn't that early?"

"It seems so to me. I forgot! Any fever?"

"Oh, no, but his blessed little mouth is so hot! Timmy's asleep," said Cassie seriously. "But, Molly, if you could say to see him just a minute when he wakes! Could Merle—we have an extra bed in the little room right off the boys' room, where the nurse slept. She couldn't spend Christmas with the boys? That would be better than any present to us!"

She spoke as one hardly hoping, and Merle felt no hope whatever. But to the amazement of both, the handsome, resolute face softened, and the doctor merely said:

"Trot along to bed, then, Merle, with your cousins. But mind you don't make any noise. Remember Uncle Timmy is ill!"

Merle struggled her with a kiss. "Cassie, we've an enormous turkey—I'll send it over the first thing in the morning."

"But, Molly, when Tim knows you've been here, he'll not care about any turkey!"

"Their stockings—" mused the doctor, unhappily.

With a suddenly lighting face, after deep thought, she went to the telephone in the dining-room, and three minutes later a good husband and father, a mile away across the city, left his own child and the tree he was trimming, and went to answer her summons.

"Mr. Waldteufel? This is Doctor Madison." "Oh, Doctor!" came rushing the rich European voice. "Merry Christmas to you! I wish could you see our baby—so far we don't weigh him Sundays no more! He looks like—"

The surgeon's voice interrupted. There was excited interchange of words. Then the toy-like said:

There was that in the doctor's look that made the moment significant.

"Yes," said Merle's mother.

"I was always a stubborn child, and I hated the crusts of my bread, but they insisted that I eat them," said Mary Madison suddenly, in an odd, rather low voice. "I used to cry and fight about it, and—and Timmy used to eat them for me."

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A Page For CHILDREN



John's Christmas Gift

By ALICE PAGE

"WELL, John, what do you want Father Christmas to bring you?" asked Aunt Mary. John looked solemnly at his aunt, then stooped and slowly stroked the cat. "Won't you tell Aunt Mary what you would like for Christmas, John?" Aunt Mary coaxed. John did not answer, just shook his curly head.

"It's no good trying to get it out of him, Mary," said Daddy, "his mother tried and so did I. I don't think he wants anything, do you John?" he asked, putting his arm around his little son and ruffling up his curls.

"Well!" exclaimed Aunt Mary, "I never knew such a child. You are the first boy I ever met that didn't want Father Christmas to bring him anything."

Mother laughed. "Oh! He knows what he wants all right, Mary, but he won't tell us," she explained.

"Why didn't you write a letter to Father Christmas, John, and let Daddy post it for you?" persisted Aunt Mary.

John suddenly raised his head and looked at Aunt Mary. "I can't write," he said. "I know, dear," said Aunt Mary, patting John's head, "but Mother would have done it for you. Well, it's too late to write now, this is Christmas Eve."

"Never mind, John," said Daddy. "Father Christmas won't forget you, I know."

"Time for bed, son," said Mother, "where is the stocking I lent you to hang up?" John produced the stocking and Daddy helped him to hang it on the bedpost. Aunt Mary helped him to wash.

"What a solemn boy," laughed Aunt Mary, "and tomorrow is Christmas Day. You don't look Christmasy a bit."

"I think he is tired, Mary," explained Mother, "and while you were unpacking upstairs I read to him the story of the Babe in the Manger at Bethlehem. I expect he is still thinking of the story, aren't you John?"

"Yes," answered John, "and it's a really true story, Auntie."

"So it is John, and tomorrow we all rejoice with great joy because it is the birthday of our Saviour," answered Aunt Mary as she kissed John good night. Mother tucked him up and kissed him. "Good night, my son," she said, "Daddy will hear your prayers tonight and then you can lie and think of that lovely Babe who was born in Bethlehem so many years ago."

"Good night old man," said Daddy. "I hope you get what you want, whatever it is, but don't be disappointed any more than you can help if you don't. It is not always good for us to get everything we want." Daddy opened the bottom of the window, then went out of the room, shutting the door quietly behind him.

For five minutes there was silence, then John spoke in a whisper, "What's the matter Brother? Haven't you got enough room?" He moved nearer the edge of the bed. "Don't kick, old man, I'm tired," he whispered, "and if we don't go to sleep quick, Father Christmas won't come."

A few minutes after John was dozing. He was only just five years old, and the loneliest little boy in Gordon Head.

He had no brothers or sisters. Aunt Mary was the only aunt he had and he had no uncles. Aunt Mary was not married, so he had no cousins either. Sometimes he saw other children, but not very often, as his father's fruit farm was far from the broad highway, and it was quite a walk to the next farm.

John's great consolation was his imaginary brother, invented through his extreme loneliness. No one knew of this brother of John's, he was so afraid of being laughed at. Grown-ups always laughed when he felt most serious. For instance, last year, just before Christmas, whenever a grown-up asked him what he wanted for Christmas, he had answered, "I want a brother," and every grown-up had laughed and called another grown-up's attention.

"Did you hear what John wants for Christmas? He wants a baby brother." John had felt so hurt at the laughter that this year nothing on earth would make him own what his heart hungered for so fiercely—a brother. It was right after last Christmas that he invented a brother for himself. "Come on, Brother, let's go out to play," he would say when tired of the house, or when picking loganberries in the Summer. "Come on old man, you haven't picked many, look what a lot I've picked." He would have two baskets and once in a while tip some out of the basket he carried into the other basket, in a surreptitious manner, then start as if surprised and say, "Well, you are getting on fine, old man, I believe you will beat me after all." And Daddy would say, "Well, you are a good picker, John, you've picked enough for two boys."

John had tried several names for his imaginary brother, but not one suited John, they didn't seem to fit, so John had given up trying and continued to call him "Brother."

John slowly opened his eyes. Right across the floor was the brightest moonbeam he had ever seen. It came right through the open window and ended in a pool of silver light in the centre of the floor. For a minute he lay watching it. It seemed to John that it quivered, as if at any minute it would vanish. "If I sat on it, it couldn't go," thought John, and the next moment, without really intending to, he found himself sitting in the pool of silver.

John had no sooner sat down than he began to slide up the moonbeam. Straight out of the window he went. Somehow he did not think it odd that he should be sliding up instead of down. The next minute he was above the sea. He shut his eyes tight and when he opened them again he found he was over land, a few minutes more and once again he was over the sea. Down below he could see the lights of ships moving to and away from a

group of islands on his left. Again he shut his eyes for he had a fear of falling off the moonbeam and dropping into the sea. A soft warm breeze that was fragrant with the scent of many flowers ruffled his curly hair. Another minute and he was sitting quite still. He opened his eyes and found he was sitting outside a low building. It was evidently a stable, for John could hear an occasional stamp of animal feet with the rustle of straw, and the steady munch of animals eating hay. It was as warm as Summer and the moon was flooding the whole countryside with a soft pearly light and the stars were thickly sprinkled over a deep blue sky. The air was so clear, that in every direction John could see flowers blooming and the breeze was perfumed as if it had just traveled over a field of lilies.

"You have come to see the wonderful baby, I suppose," said a voice beside him. John rose to his feet and found he was standing beside a lad of about twelve years.

"What is it you have come for?" went on the boy, who was tall and slender. He had large dark eyes that John thought held all the love of all the brothers in the world. "I came a long way to see Him," he went on, "I have been lame ever since I was born, I was so sad and lonely because I was too lame to play with the other boys. Some shepherds came through our village and I heard them telling the people around the well about the Baby. They said they were watching their sheep at night when some angels told them to go to Bethlehem and find the Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. When I had heard all they had to tell, I set out for Bethlehem and came to this stable. I was afraid to go in at first, then I remembered that the shepherds said the angels called the Baby 'Christ the Lord,' so I went in and knelt down and kissed the Baby's hand and my leg became straight at once and see how I can jump."

The boy jumped around to show John how strong he was now.

"I must go back to my village now and show everyone what the Lord has done for me. You need not be afraid," he added, "if there is anything you want very much, go in and kiss the Baby's hand. His Mother is so gentle and good, I am sure she will welcome you." He turned away and walked quickly up the road that went through the little town of Bethlehem.

John turned to the door of the stable and peeped in. The stable was warm and cosy, with lots of clean straw. A lantern hung from the rafters. On one side some oxen were eating sweet-smelling hay and near them were some donkeys tied with rope to iron rings set in the wall.

In the centre was a stall bedded deep with shining golden straw, on which lay a young woman, scarcely more than a girl. The corner of a rich red shawl hung over the edge of the manger where the Holy Baby lay. The Baby's Mother turned her head and looked at John.

Then a wonderful smile lighted her face. "Come in and see the Baby Jesus and tell Him what you want," she invited. Slowly John went towards the manger.

Asleep with his hands crossed on his breast lay the wonderful Baby. John looked at the Baby's mother. "I want a brother," he whispered to her. She put her arm around John and drew him closer to the manger. "That is a good and holy wish," she whispered softly, "come close to Him."

John dropped to his knees, and softly, so as not to wake the sleeping Baby, he pressed his lips on the Baby's hand. Thrilled through and through, John shut his eyes. When he opened them he found he was sitting outside the stable, in the moonlight. He could hear the Baby crying and the rustle of straw. "I must have woke the Baby," he worried, "perhaps I kissed his hand too hard." He was wondering if he had better go in and tell the Baby's Mother how sorry he was, when he found he was once again sliding up the moonbeam. He looked back at the little town sleeping in the moonlight, surrounded with fields of flowers, then he was over the sea. It was queer, he could still hear the baby crying, and the rustle of straw.

He opened his eyes to find he was back in his own bed. There was no moon now, for it was broad daylight. Funny, he could still hear the baby crying and the rustle of straw. He shut his eyes. The next second they flew wide open. There was something moving on the foot of his bed, and the crying and rustling came from there.

Hastily scrambling up he looked to see what was there. At the foot lay a large parcel wrapped in red and white paper and tied up with red ribbons, and the crying was coming from there. Something alive inside that parcel was rustling the paper. Gently, with trembling hands, John opened the paper at one end. As he bent down a tiny warm hand touched his lips. Just then Daddy came in hastily. John's arms were around the precious parcel.

"A happy Christmas, son," he said. "Lay the parcel down just a minute while I help you on with your bathrobe and shoes. Then you can take the parcel and show Mother." Without a word John obeyed. Then he picked up the parcel and with Daddy to help they left the bedroom. John did not see the big coaster or the bulging stocking. Along the hall he went to his mother's room. He knew now what his brother's name was, for hadn't he heard some one say that Jesus came from the line of David?

He did not hear Aunt Mary's anxious "Aren't you afraid he will drop him?"

Straight to his mother's bed he went and laid his precious parcel beside her.

"What have you got, John?" she whispered.

"Mother," said John, the vision of Bethlehem lingering in his eyes, "this is my brother, David."

Santa Claus Is No Question Mark to This Boy



Baby Leroy, who has become quite famous on the screen, is pinching Santa's cheek to make sure he is real in the above picture. It is not that he disbelieves in the chubby old fellow, but it is not given to every child to be nursed by Santa Claus in person. Generally it is a figment of imagination that provides a picture of Santa Claus to most children's minds, but the land of make belief, that is Hollywood's motion picture studios, can provide anything on demand, even Santa Claus.

Christmas Cheer

By CECIL NOEL

THE way to be happy is by making others happy. This is so much a truth that it seems a pity more people do not practise it.

At Christmas time the one who enjoys herself most is the girl who helps the little ones to have fun; who sees that they are not hurt; who tells the mothers that the little ones are quite safe in her charge.

Helping to play games is one way to be popular. The girl who sits in a corner reading the book which has been given her for a present is neither happy nor popular. She does not make others happy. She never thinks of anyone but herself. Often the eldest of a large family is unselfish. This is not always the case, however. Whether a girl be the eldest or the youngest she can be selfish or the contrary.

At Christmas time we have to forget our worries, and not sit and mope in a corner. Everyone tries to be gay. It is the season of good cheer.

If you get a present off the Christmas tree (and where there are girls and boys there are nearly always Christmas trees), which you do not like, do not show your feelings. It is unkind towards your hostess who tried to be fair and probably did not know what you would get nor what number you would draw. When you are invited out the least you can do is to be polite.

Cheer means happiness, joy, gaiety, love and kindness, all of which belong to Christmas. Do not bear a grudge against another girl because she got the present you wanted. All this is very babyish, but often older girls do behave like babies.

Be orderly. Do not scream too loud. A certain amount of shouting seems to go with games, and your hostess does not mind, but you are not bound to be too boisterous. It would not be very nice if, when you left, your hostess said, "I shall never ask that girl again." If this be said of you I feel sure it is your own fault. If you lay yourself out to please, and forget yourself at least during this Christmas season you will be astonished when you reach home to find how happy you are. Happiness is a secret. It is not easy to get. It comes when you do not look for it.

If you see a little girl who seems neglected, do seek her out and do all in your power to help her. I feel so sorry for these shy little lonely girls, because when I was young I was shy and lonely too, I suppose.

I remember the bigger pupils making life better for me. Ah yes, there was much unselfishness in those old days. We never heard such expressions as "I have to live my own life." We were more likely to hear "He that loses his life shall find it."

Now here is a recipe for Christmas cheer: A little joy, a little kindness, a little unselfishness, a little self-effacing and a little thought of others. Try mixing these together. You will be surprised at the result. It will bring Christmas cheer. It will make this Christmas a different one from last year. It will stand out in your memory as the day you had such a good time, and you will get this good time by doing your best to make others happy on Christmas Day.

Does it not seem worth while to try?

Santa Claus

He comes in the night! He comes in the night!

He softly, silently comes, While the little brown heads on the pillows are white.

Are dreaming of bugles and drums. He cuts through the snow like a ship through the foam.

While the white flakes around him whirl: Who tells him I know not, but he findeth the home.

Of each good little boy and girl. His sleigh it is long, and deep, and wide;

It will carry a host of things, While dozens of drums hang over the side.

With the sticks sticking under the strings; And yet not a sound of a drum was heard.

Not a bugle blast is blown, As he mounts to the chimney-top like a bird,

And he drops to the hearth like a stone. The little red stockings he silently fills,

Till the stockings will hold no more. The bright little sleds for the great snowy hills

Are quickly set down on the floor. Then Santa Claus mounts to the roof like a bird.

And glides to his seat in the sleigh; Not the sound of a bugle or drum is heard.

As he noiselessly gallops away. He rides to the East, and he rides to the West.

Of his goodies he touches not one; He eateth the crumbs of the Christmas feast.

When the dear little folks are done, Old Santa Claus doth all that he can;

This beautiful mission is his; Then, children, be good to the little old man,

When you find who the little man is. —Anon.

A Blessing From Charles Dickens

MAY the blessing of God wait thee. May the sun of glory shine around thy bed, and may the gates of plenty, honor, and happiness be ever open to thee.

May no sorrow distress thy days; may no grief disturb thy nights. May the pillow of peace kiss thy cheek and the pleasures of imagination attend thy dreams; and when the length of years makes thee tired of earthly joys, and the curtain of death gently closes around thy sleep, may the Angel of God attend thy bed. —Charles Dickens.

The Home Festival

CHRISTMAS is almost here. Right across this big Canada of ours and far up into the North, boys and girls, big and little, are counting the hours, and almost the minutes, till the secrets which have been hidden for weeks can be told.

We are making a mistake if we think it is only in the big houses with handsome furniture and costly ornaments that children are the happiest. In Canadian homes, when your grandmothers and grandfathers were little, a rosy apple was a rare treat. Santa Claus had no chocolates and few sweets in his pack. He must have had many puncheons of molasses in his kitchen and great pots of golden toffee in nearly every stocking. A bunch of raisins (plums), a wooden doll, a Jew's-harp, a mouth organ, a jackknife and a handkerchief were among the presents left in those days. Brother might have a gay suit with bright brass buttons sent from that far-away mysterious place called "town." A new frock or bright pinafore was ready for each of the little girls when the sun piped in through the frost-covered window. A picture or a story book sometimes found its way through the snowdrifts to the log houses of that far-away time. But Mother's face was sweet with smiles as she looked round on her little flock. Before the surprises were over Father came with gentle tone and tender caress to lead the fun. By the side of the baby, sleeping in his cradle, Grandmother, in snowy cap, sat knitting. Before Mother had the goose and plum pudding ready for dinner everyone was hungry, and with thankful hearts partook of what was to all the family a real feast.

The short dark afternoon was spent in games—out-of-doors if the sun shone and the snow was not too deep. If it was cold and stormy the kitchen was turned into a playroom, with Father as leader of the riotous fun. No one heeded that the crockery was coarse or that seats were rough. The kitchen and living-room in one was as clean as hands could make it. There was a warmth and cheer and love that in the years to come kept the members of the little band together. Heads golden and brown and dark turned to snow, but the love of brothers and sisters did not change but flowed on to children and children's children.

Towns and cities have arisen where once the forest stood. The log houses have given place to handsome residences. Beautiful and often expensive garments have succeeded the

homespun and calico of old days. Toys of which pioneer children could not even dream load our Christmas trees or are grouped about the stockings on our hearths.

Yet hearts have not changed much. In tens of thousands of Canadian homes the old customs are observed; the old hearty greetings heard. The love of parents and children, brothers and sisters, makes home a foretaste of Heaven.

Perhaps there has grown up among us a deeper sense of brotherhood with the great family of mankind—a feeling that no one who needs help or sympathy should be neglected at this season. If this is so we may hope that we are carrying out the will of Him whose birth was proclaimed by the message of "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men."

The Street at Christmas

There is a hush in the little street. For snow is falling in soft, white flakes; Footsteps are padding on the carpet of velvet; And there's not a sound that mars or shakes.

The icy stillness, the silver beauty Of snow-laden, transformed trees; There seems to be a spell cast over the earth On evenings such as these.

A child is standing near the street lights That cast a blue and fitful glow On the starlit road and dingy houses And the beautiful silent snow.

His garments are torn and thin and poor, But his face is all alight with joy. What is he thinking of, standing there, That lonely, shabby little boy?

Perhaps he is dreaming of a Christmas Eve Years and years and years ago, When three wise men rode with lovely gifts Across a space of starlit snow.

—Pauline Havard.

Answers to Last Week's Puzzles

Arithmetical Problem—28 and 18. Hidden Birds—Kingfisher, Robin, Nightingale, Sandpiper, Lark, Sparrow, Swallow, Peacock, Partridge, Starling and Flamingo. Do You Know Me?—Centaurian. A Puzzle in Rhyme—Australia.

Merry, Merry Christmas

TO all readers of the Children's Page, and to everyone else, the editor wishes a Merry Christmas. May all the little people who cannot read have lots of fun with their toys and pictures. The young folks home for the holidays will, it is hoped, enjoy their games out of doors and in their story books, and not least the opportunity of helping mother and father and of making little ones happy. Some of you will be preparing for the Hobby Fair, but don't be too busy to be kind. High School girls and boys will enjoy their freedom and the chance to read and do what they like. Next term is a long one, so we wish for them especially a Merry, Merry Christmas.

The editor hopes that the grown-ups, the fathers and mothers, the uncles and aunts and friends will spend a very happy day. But we are forgetting that this is a Page for Children. A Merry, Merry Christmas to all.

A Christmas Carol

Before the palling of the stars, Before the Winter morn, Before the earliest cock-crow Jesus Christ was born: Born in a stable, Cradled in a manger; In the world His hands had made, Born a stranger.

Priest and King lay fast asleep In Jerusalem; Young and old lay fast asleep In crowded Bethlehem: Saint and Angel, ox and ass, Kept a watch together, Before the Christmas daybreak In the Winter weather.

Jesus on His Mother's breast In the stable cold; Spotless Lamb of God was He, Shepherd of the fold: Let us kneel with Mary Maid, With Joseph bent and hoary, With Saint and Angel, ox and ass, To hail the King of Glory.

—Christina Rossetti.

Life

Life is mostly froth and bubble: Two things stand like stone: Kindness in another's trouble, Courage in our own.

—Adam Lindsay.

Suburb and Country

Agreeable to a first principle: on it rests the life and happiness of mankind. — John A. Dimock

Round-Table Studies With Saanichton Pathologists

By DR. WM. NEWTON
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THE science of breeding, according to W. R. Foster at the staff meeting, explains why the merit of a dairy bull can be accurately evaluated by the production average of all or a high percentage of the daughters. If the milk production average of all the daughters of a particular bull is high compared with their mothers, the bull should receive a prominent place in the hall of fame, but if the milk production average of all or a large percentage of the offspring is small, even though there are a number of exceptionally high producers among the daughters, the bull cannot be branded as outstanding.

Purity and Breeding

MR. Foster also demonstrated how purity for a particular character such as color or milk production is accounted for by Mendelian, the science of breeding. Each living animal or plant originates as a single cell that results from the fusion of egg cell of the female with the sperm cell of the male. In this original cell can be found a group of small bodies, in pairs, called chromosomes, one of each pair having come from the male and one from the female, and these chromosomes are the vehicles that carry the characters. At conception, it is possible for all the characters for high milk production to come in on the chromosomes of the sperm and for a similar set of characters to be present in the egg. If the resultant calf is a male, it is pure for high milk production and as a bull it will always step up the milk production average of its progeny. But if some of the chromosomes from either male or female carry characters for low milk production, the reshuffle of chromosomes at the time of conception creates the chance that a chromosome carrying low milk production will pair with a similar chromosome, with the result that a worthless animal is created.

Mr. Foster predicts that the time will come when the "Holstein" and other "Breed Associations" will insist that official milk records be maintained to cover a high percentage of the daughters of bulls when special merit recognition is desired for the bull. Such records would enable intelligent buyers to purchase bulls scientifically. At present, the purchaser is often unduly influenced by the presence of a limited number of high producers in the bull's ancestry and offspring.

Yeast Stimulates Growth

IN a recent communication, Dr. A. I. Vintan, the Danish biochemist, describes experiments which prove that extracts of yeasts markedly stimulate growth and blossom development in peas. If plants are able to com-

unicate one to the other, the sweet pea plant that wins the trophy at the next flower show will likely say to its defeated rivals, "Why don't you try yeast—on sale at every grocery?" Possibly the stimulation by yeast extract is due to a vitamin it contains. The essential nature of vitamins in the diet of humans and animals cannot be disputed at the present time. The remarkable fact revealed by vitamin investigations is the infinitesimal per cent present in any food stuff when measured by actual weight. Only in a few cases have chemists been able to isolate vitamins in a pure form.

In practice the vitamin content is evaluated by measuring the growth and development of mice, rats and guinea pigs. Evidence is accumulating that minute traces of a number of substances are essential to the normal development of plants as well as animals. Minute quantities of boron, zinc and copper have to be present in soils to promote normal plant growth, although salts of these metals are quite toxic to plants when in soils at concentrations that can be measured by ordinary analytical methods.

Dr. Vintan's discovery that yeast extracts stimulate the growth of peas is of special interest to British Columbia's agricultural research workers, for the late Dr. Wilfred Sadler, of the University of British Columbia, was the first American scientist to prove that the growth of certain species of bacteria isolated from milk and cheese were stimulated by yeast extracts while other species isolated from similar material were not affected.

Insect and Plant Disease

WOUNDS created by insects frequently allow the entrance of fungus and bacterial diseases. Earwigs, strawberry weavils and grasshoppers occasionally account for the spread of both rots and virus diseases in addition to the direct damage they bring about through devouring plant parts. To control these pests, gardeners have noted that in the preparation of dried apple, pear and raisin poison bait, the local authorities now recommend the inclusion of five per cent sodium fluosilicate rather than sodium or potassium arsenite or arsenate, as the poison.

Dr. S. Marcovitch, of the Tennessee Experimental Station, working with mosquito larvae, grasshoppers and cutworms, has shown that for all three insects sodium fluosilicate is the best killing agent; that sodium arsenite is superior to sodium arsenate, and that sodium fluoride has fourth place, although this compound is closely related to sodium fluosilicate.

Stimulating Milk Flow

PROOF has been obtained that secretions from the pituitary gland of the brain controls milk production in female animals. Dr. E. I. Evans, of the United States Department of Agriculture, has recently shown that a milk flow can be induced in virgin goats and cows by the injection of the pituitary gland extract prepared by Parke, Davis & Co. Furthermore, the milk yield of mature goats and cows whose lactation period is nearly spent can be greatly increased by the injection of the pituitary hormone.

Intestinal Parasites of Poultry May Reduce Health of Flock

INTESTINAL parasites are often the limiting factor in the economical production of poultry on farms. Both roundworms and tapeworms live in the intestines of poultry and their eggs pass out with the droppings. It is from the worm eggs in the infected droppings that other fowls become affected.

Two roundworms are extremely common among poultry—the large roundworm that is found in the small intestine, and the small roundworm that is found in the caeca. When the eggs of the large roundworm pass out with the droppings they have not completed their development and are unable to cause infestation if eaten. In a short time, generally about two weeks, the eggs become completely developed and contain a tiny embryo. They are capable of remaining in this stage for months and even years. When eaten by a chicken the shell of the egg is dissolved and the worm burrows into the wall of the small intestine, remaining there until large enough to live in the small intestine. The life cycle of the small roundworm that lives in the caeca is similar.

To Kill Worms

MOST roundworm remedies contain tobacco in some form, relying upon the nicotine to kill the worms. Tobacco varies greatly in the amount of nicotine it contains and unless the standardised product is used it may either cause damage to the bird through overdose or produce no results at all. Tobacco dust containing not less than 14 per cent nicotine may be added to the mash to the extent of 2 per cent and fed over a period of four weeks. Where adult fowls are raised with liberal range divided into two runs which are used alternately, worm infestation is not so serious, especially when the chickens have been raised on clean ground.

The Sabbatical Year

THE ancient Israelites were adepts in tillage and knew the uses of the fallow and manure. Every seventh year they were commanded to suffer their fields and vineyards to rest or lie without tillage. This fallow for an entire year prevented the exhaustion of the soil, which was further enriched by the burning of the weeds and spontaneous growth of the year.

Value of Research May Be Lost by Failure to Report Clearly

IN his address at the annual convention of the Canadian Society of Technical Agriculturists, at Regina, Sir A. Daniel Hall touched on some of the dangers besetting specialisation.

"Specialisation," he said, "is a fact to be faced. We recognize the enormous power of the specialist, his way of penetrating into the mysteries; and in agriculture we are concerned with that most mysterious of all things—life. Yet we have to guard against some of the dangers to which our research is exposed. The danger arises, perhaps, from the interest of the subject itself. If you get a man working intimately, closely, with some problem of soil or of disease, he becomes so fascinated in the pursuit of knowledge that the end to which his researches are directed becomes forgotten in the interests of the problem itself.

The means, as it were, become far more important than the end. This is almost inevitably so; and, of course, some of these problems, as in soil physics or some of the elusive problems of mycology or of genetics, lead on and on with no prospect of finality, so that the investigator settles down, as it were, for life.

Sort of Card Party

HE will have colleagues in other countries similarly carried away by this intense specialisation until in the end a sort of bridge party is made up. A worker in the United States is "leads"; somebody in Yugoslavia plays the next card; there is a third person in England, perhaps, who joins in; and then you have a fourth from Holland or Sweden to play. These people all exchange papers with one another. They all feel very important and are entirely interested, but wholly indifferent to those outside the party.

"I had an instance in my laboratory not long ago, when one of my colleagues had prepared a paper. I tolled over this paper trying to get it as I thought intelligible—at any rate intelligible to myself—day after day; and about the tenth day, after talking it over I said, 'Look here, you must begin again and write this all over; it is not really intelligible,' and the lady—it was a lady in this case—turned to me and said, 'What does it matter, there are only five people in the world who read it and they will understand it.' Well, that is the sort of game that our science may so easily become."

Muskmelons at Sidney Experimental Farm



The Experimental Station at Sidney Has Found That Muskmelons Do Well There, and Are a Valuable Crop to Use in Rotation With Tulips and Broccoli. Use of Mulch Paper With the Vines at the Right Accounts for the Luxuriant Growth.

Growing Muskmelons in Rotation With Tulip Crop

By E. M. STRAIGHT
Dominion Experimental Station, Sidney

IN our last letter dealing with rotation in the culture of tulips, we said that we would have something to say concerning the culture of the crops appearing in the rotation in subsequent letters. This time it is melons.

Everyone knows the watermelon, what it is and what it should be like. We have grown very good watermelons this past year, but with this crop the plants must not only be started in the greenhouse, but the cold frame must be employed in the field for a number of weeks, for the greatest enemy of all melons is cold, and Vancouver Island is never hot enough for tropical plants in the open.

The conception of a muskmelon is much more hazy—one will say, that is not a muskmelon; it is a cantaloupe. In truth, all cantaloupes are muskmelons. A small muskmelon, with a hard-furrowed skin and a flesh of a reddish-orange color is a cantaloupe. The name comes from the castle of Cantalupo, in Marca d'Ancona, Italy, where they were first grown in Europe from seed said to have come from Armenia. On the island of Montreal large muskmelons, which may run from ten to twenty-five pounds in weight, are grown to perfection, but they have not done so well in this part of the world. At present we are chiefly concerned with the small musk or cantaloupe, a melon, the half of which makes one serving.

Popular Varieties

HEARTS of Gold and Hale's Best are both popular with growers, as they deserve to be. The seed should be planted in flats near the first of April and pricked out in three-inch pots before they have made any true leaves. They may then be handled quite as easily as other plants, but when the plants

become older they are transplanted with difficulty. In the normal season six weeks from seed planting time the young plants should be ready for the field, but it may be necessary to delay the planting for another week or so. Last year, it was not warm enough much before June 1.

There is no place where the mulch paper may be used to greater advantage than in melon culture. Paper three feet wide should be used, which will permit of the plants being set three feet apart in the row, and rows six feet apart. The paper increases soil temperatures, conserves moisture and stimulates activity on the part of soil organisms. Beside the paper mulch, hot caps were used by several growers during the past season with success. The function of the cap is to increase the heat, the secret of success in melon growing.

Paper Controls Weeds

IF the paper has been well put down very few weeds will be in evidence during the summer. If a weed does find a hole in the paper it may be removed by hand as all hoeing is impossible.

Very elaborate schemes have been worked out as to how the plants should be pruned, the number of fruits to a vine, etc. Like many other things of this nature our recommendation is to let the plants alone. The amount of vine and number of fruits is well looked after by the plant itself.

Red spider and "will" may be found troublesome, but both may be controlled. By the first of September the crop should be ready for market, and what a marvelous crop it is! Why bring in cantaloupes from the Mainland or the United States when they may be grown here; especially in view of the fact that in melons we have a crop that the markets are really asking for.

Tuberculosis of Cattle and Aid Offered for Its Eradication

THREE plans are in operation by the Health of Animals Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis, namely, the accredited herd plan, the supervised herd plan, and the restricted area plan. The object of the first plan is the eradication of the disease in pure-bred breeding herds. These herds are tuberculosis tested free of charge by salaried veterinary inspectors. To be eligible for acceptance under this plan, a herd must contain at least five purebred cattle of one breed, registered in the applicant's name. The number of registered purebreds must, however, comprise at least one-third of the total number of cattle in the herd.

As soon as a herd has passed two annual or three semi-annual tests without an animal showing signs of the disease, and contains at least ten registered purebreds, it is designated a "tuberculosis-free accredited herd." Compensation is paid for reactors—that is, those animals which show signs of the disease as a result of the test—and is based on two-thirds of the valuation placed upon the animals by veterinary inspectors of the Health of Animals Branch. The maximum amount of compensation permitted under the Animal Contagious Diseases Act is \$100 for purebreds and \$40 for grades. No compensation is paid, however, for cattle affected with lumpy jaw, nor for grade bulls which react to the test. Such animals, nevertheless, must be slaughtered under Federal inspection.

The supervised herd plan is a single herd policy applicable to grade herds irre-

spective of the number of purebred or grade animals they contain. No compensation is paid for animals that react to the test, but the owner receives whatever proceeds there may be from the salvage. Owners placing their herds under this plan must agree to slaughter reactors, to promptly cleanse and disinfect their premises, and to keep their cattle from coming in contact with untested animals. If a herd is not maintained on the premises, breeding operations must be restricted to a tested animal.

The restricted area plan has for its object the eradication of tuberculosis in definite areas. At least two-thirds of the cattle owners in any definite area must sign a petition for the establishment of such an area under this plan. The petition must be forwarded to the Provincial Minister of Agriculture to the Minister of the Dominion Department of Agriculture requesting that the necessary action be taken.

Early Canadian Cheese

THE early French settlers in Canada brought the art of making cheese from France. Certain families on the Island of Orleans still make a peculiar cheese for which the process has been handed down from generation to generation for 300 years. The United Empire Loyalists brought with them from the United States a knowledge of the manufacture of Cheddar type of cheese into different parts of Ontario over one hundred years ago. All cheese in Canada was made on farms until 1864, when the first cheese factory was started.

Spasmodic colic in horses is often caused by change of feed, cold water in quantities, or exposure to draughts when heat—

Red Carrots Valuable as Green Feed for Poultry in Winter

IT is a known fact that green feed in one form or another is a very valuable addition to a poultry ration. No matter how well balanced any ration may be there seems to come a time when a change is desirable. Variety in a diet is possibly no less welcome to the hen than to the human race. Though it has been authentically reported that birds receiving dried green feed such as alfalfa leaf meal may give results as good, if not better than birds receiving steeped alfalfa, cabbage and mangels, the question of a change in diet is a point that will always deserve consideration.

In the feeding of the birds in the egg-laying contests at the Dominion Experimental Farm, Agassiz, B.C., particular attention has always been given to the matter of green feed. For many years mangels were used in this connection during the winter months. However, as evidently the value of the mangels did not justify its classification so much as a green feed as a succulent feed only, the attention of those responsible has recently been turned more and more to the value of red carrots. The latter is of value not only for its succulence but for its vitamin content also.

No matter how well balanced a ration may be, success in feeding, whether it be poultry or other livestock, depends very much indeed on the ability of the feeder. It is here where his power of observation comes in. Birds will, apparently, if given the opportunity, pick out from a number of feeds not only what they prefer, but what is best for them. Although no definite experiment has been carried out at Agassiz in the feeding of red carrots as against mangels, the evidence so far obtained from the feeding of both of these is inclined to be much in favor of the red carrots.

Meat Market Demands Bacon Hogs Weighing 200 Pounds

IN summarizing the conditions of the Canadian domestic meat markets, The Livestock Meat Trade Review says:

A great many pigs which carry fairly good finish, and are of select and good bacon type, are at the low end of the select weights. It should be borne in mind that most of our good bacon, while coming from the bacon and select grades of hogs, the weight range of which is from 180 to 230 pounds, does not represent the preference of the British bacon trade unless the product of hogs weighing around 200 to 220 pounds on the farm. Most of the hogs in the select and bacon classes have been coming forward of recent weeks at weights of 180 to 200 lbs. It is a pretty difficult task to finish this type of hog at around 180 pounds, and even then the sides are too light. Consequently, most of these weights lack in finish.

"The effect on our export bacon trade is quite obvious. It makes selection very hard, and if the exporters are to keep up any sort of volume this can only be achieved at the cost of quality, a condition which may have very disastrous results on our future in the British bacon market. The present situation calls for our united efforts, and it is hoped that the necessity for carrying hogs up to 200 to 220 pounds and having them properly finished at these weights will be actively recognized."

The seed of carrots, due to the fact that the individual seed-clusters do not ripen at the same time, cannot be harvested in the same manner as mangels and swedes. The individual seed-clusters must be picked by hand when they become brown and several pickings are necessary to harvest the crop in best condition.

Garden Week Week by

By NORMAN W. F. RANT, F.R.H.S.

THE Alpine aster should be grown by all who like blue flowers. The color is a good blue, like some of the tall-growing Michaelmas daisies, and the blooms are about two inches across. It blooms in May and early June and if planted in masses is very effective, even at a distance. It is not fastidious as to soil and may be planted either in the rock garden or the front of the border. It may also be naturalized in the wild garden and is very good for this purpose.

Natives of Northwest America are beginning to be more understood than they formerly were. While expeditions have been combing the mountains of Asia in every direction for new things for the garden, the more accessible mountains of British Columbia, Washington and Oregon, as well as Northern California, have been, until very recently, almost neglected. Still, these mountains are the home of many beautiful plants, which, when their culture is understood, are most useful rock garden subjects.

Take only one family, the Lewisias, for instance, which until very lately were considered difficult plants to grow and, in England, were classed as subjects for the Alpine house only. Knowing just how to make them happy has given us a family of plants which are possible in any good rock garden and with a little care can be grown to perfection.

Many Fine Species

THERE are some fourteen species of Lewisias known, all of them Americans, and most of them are in cultivation. There are two distinct sections, those that lose their leaves in the fall and disappear until the following spring, and those that are evergreen. Among the former we have those that require, perhaps, more care than the evergreen section. The most widely known of these is Lewisia rediviva, a native of our own province. Its great disadvantage is that the foliage dies away at the time it throws up its great satiny-pink, crocus-like blooms, which fully expand only in sun. It takes a stiff loam to grow in and wants all the heat possible in the fall to bake it. Other species in this section are L. nevadensis, with curious, sparse, needle-like foliage and white flowers. The life of this species above ground is very short, and its roots resemble small carrots.

L. pygmaea has pink-tinted leaves, which appear in early spring while the flowers, which are rose pink, come in the summer and last a long time. The only member of this section that differs materially from those already named is L. oppositifolia, which has long oblong leaves of a prostrate nature, with starry white flowers on six-inch stems.

L. howellii is the most popular of this section and has pretty crinkled leaves. Its blooms are pink, with a very well defined carmine streak down the centre of each petal. L. columbiana has narrow, limp leaves, often dotted with brown, forming a compact rosette. The flowers are dark rose, but small.

Easy to Grow

THE second section, the evergreen kinds, are quite easy to grow. L. finchii is one of the most robust. It has very broad, bright green leaves, and as it ages, the plant becomes a hummock with a mass of crown. The flowers are somewhat similar to those of L. howellii, and a good plant in bloom will produce as many as eighty well-furnished sprays. The flowers are soft pink in color. L. tweedyi is a splendid kind that blooms early and makes a wonderful subject in a pan for the cold greenhouse. The flowers are yellowish buff-pink.

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The variety Rosea has darker and somewhat larger flowers. The Lewisias are apt to cross in the garden and some of the hybrid seedlings are choice and beautiful things. These seedlings have another advantage in the fact that, being grown from seed, they are better adapted to the coast climate.

Queen of Saxifrages

AS everyone who understands the encrusted saxifrage knows, Saxifraga longifolia (the Queen of Saxifrages), dies as soon as it flowers and never, or almost never, makes offsets. Recently two species of hybrids of Longifolia (no one seems to know which they are), Tumbling Waters and Womple's variety, have been introduced, and while these are almost as fine as Longifolia, they do make offsets and can therefore be increased without having recourse to seed, the only way in which the true Longifolia can be increased.

But now comes this information and we pass it on for what it is worth. It comes from one of the best-known growers of Saxifrages in England. If the offsets on both these varieties are not removed from the main plant flowers, they will also attempt to flower, and when the main plant dies, as it will, after flowering, the offsets will die too. So it is best to remove any offsets before the main rosette shows any sign of throwing up a flower.

By the English gardening papers one is informed that the violettes are coming back again and that a number of varieties are being tried out at the Royal Horticultural Society's gardens at Wisley. This race of very small bedding violas was originated by a Dr. Stuart many years ago, but somehow or other dropped out of popularity. Now it seems that the breed is being revived by a Mr. D. B. Crane. These plants are characterised by their sturdy and compact habit of growth and small, rounded and very sweet-scented flowers.

Completes R.O.P. Test

CHURCH Hill Gamboe Warwick, bred and owned by M. Cunningham, Salt-spring Island, recently completed her test with 6371 pounds of milk and 323 pounds of butterfat in 305 days as a junior two-year-old.

Art—Drama—Screen—Opera—Music—Books

Merry Widow Filmed

By MOLLY MERRICK
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HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—Discouraging on the possible quality of a picture before it is made is always a hazardous—if not a downright foolish—business. But when Ernst Lubitch makes "The Merry Widow," it should be, according to all estimates of beauty and capability, one of the outstanding pictures not only of 1934, but of all time.

Not only is the Franz Lehár music divinely lovely, the story and its glorious setting one to intrigue a prosy America desperately fighting its way back to prosperity through a mass of code regulations and bylaws, but the presence of Maurice Chevalier as Danilo and Jeannette MacDonald as Sonia should be the finishing touch.

Ernst Lubitch is the supreme director for the film-musicals. He is the only one of the Hollywood school who has not stolen bodily the entire technique of René Clair when it came to applying music to gelatine entertainment. Lubitch has a style peculiarly his own. He has a delicate ironic humor, possessed by few. He has an instinct for tempo—for ridicule and for romance, and he uses them all effectively. He revolutionized American musicals with "Monte Carlo," and he should cap his own record with "The Merry Widow."

Pendant to Apple Cart Is Lauded

LONDON (NANA).—Bernard Shaw's new play, "On the Rocks," just produced at the Winter Garden Theatre at popular prices, is vastly better than his "Too True to Good" and in it the author returns to the top of his form.

The play is a sort of pendant to "The Apple Cart." It deals with the state of England, and the futility of Government, and its entire action takes place at No. 10 Downing Street. The chief character is the Liberal Prime Minister, a caricature of a National Government, and this part, brilliantly played by Nicholas Hannen, is even longer than that of King Magnus in "The Apple Cart."

HARRIED PREMIER

The Premier is discovered composing a speech to be delivered before a church assembly, while being harried by his own irresponsible family. A Labor deputy waits on him to discuss a bill, and, just as the poor man is on the verge of a breakdown, a mysterious woman in grey appears and persuades him to dismiss the Labor deputy, and to go to the country studying Karl Marx and the works of modern revolutionaries.

The result, in the second act, is electric, and a source of many witty gibes at Socialism, Conservatism and every other "ism." Although it shows up most of the faults of the present-day world, the play suggests no sort of a remedy. It is just one long, stimulating talk and should draw the town.

JUNE HOWARD IN PANTOMIME

MANCHESTER, England (CP).—Lady Inverclyde (June Howard) is to play in pantomime this Christmas. She has signed a contract with Julian Wylie to appear in "Cinderella" at the Palace Theatre, Manchester. June will play the part of Cinderella and Phyllis Neilson Terry will play the part of Prince Charming.

"I cannot tell you the actual amount, but Lady Inverclyde will receive a very large salary," Mr. Wylie told a reporter. "I cannot recall that she has played in pantomime before." Lady Inverclyde is the second wife of John Alan Burns, fourth Baron Inverclyde, and was married in 1929. Lord Inverclyde obtained a divorce from his first wife, Olive Sylvia, in 1928.

Three Stars Are In Same Picture

NEW YORK (NANA).—"Counsellor-at-Law" with Doris Kenyon, Bebe Daniels and John Barrymore doing their usual stuff, is something to look for and at "Girl Without a Room," from Jack Lait's story, is a rather wild affair with plenty of monkey business. Charles Ruggles and Marguerite Churchill do nicely in their parts, though we would not invite them in their latest roles to a New Year's house warming. Things are slowing up on the screen as well as on the stage, but after Christmas there will be plenty of things in various stockings.

King George Aids Actors' Pension

LONDON (CP).—At a command performance in aid of King George's Pension Fund for actors and actresses, which was held at the Drury Lane Theatre, the King and Queen being present, there were nearly sixty well-known stage artists, among them the Canadian actor, Raymond Massey.

"It is from the realities of life that the highest idealities are born,"—Clarence Darrow.

Maestro Gathers Honors



DANIEL POPOVICH, former director of the Fresno, Cal. Philharmonic Orchestra, who won the Juillard Graduate School of Music's annual prize for his performance in New York, is pictured with Mrs. Popovich as the couple returned to San Francisco on the Panama-Pacific liner California.

Musicals Are Being Produced in London; Will Screen Future

By JOAN LITTLEFIELD
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LONDON.—Ruritania and Vienna, which in film and fiction amount to much the same thing, figure largely in British films now under way in various studios.

At Shepherd's Bush, Alfred Hitchcock, plump and most experienced of British producers, is directing "Waltzes From Vienna," with Fay Compton as the Countess, Jessie Matthews as Rosi and Edmund Knight as the younger John Strauss.

An incident of a type not unknown to Hollywood occurred at the box office. These are "Soldiers of the King," starring Cicely Courtneidge. "This Week of Grace," which, thanks to the popularity of Gracie Fields, the Lancashire comedienne, has been the success of the year in the English provinces; and "The Wandering Jew," which, in spite of some longeurs, contains much beautiful screencraft, and a moving performance by Conrad Veidt.

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FILMING THE FUTURE

London Film Productions and Gaumont-British, which are entering into a neck-and-neck race to make the best British film ever, are both to make accurate forecasts of the future under the guidance of two well-known British authors.

London Film Productions has obtained the collaboration of H. Wells, who is to prepare and supervise a film version of his book, "The Shape of Things to Come." This deals with England a hundred years hence and will be one of the most spectacular films ever produced. The story demands highly skilled craftsmanship in miniature and trick photography—two departments of production still comparatively undeveloped over here—and experts are to be brought from Hollywood for this work. A new studio, which will be the first of its kind in Britain, will be built and equipped for them.

At Shepherd's Bush, Gaumont-British is to make a film of Aldous Huxley's novel of the future, "Brave New World," which describes the conflict between man and science, the human being and the machine. This, too, should make a very pleasant and stimulating entertainment.

Maurice Chevalier is tired of being funny. He wants to abandon his straw hat and be serious for a while. And so he has arranged for his first British film to play Lafayette, of American War of Independence fame. This will be directed by Alexander Korda, England's leading exponent of the "comical-historical" brand of film.

SHAKESPEARE IS NOT RECOGNIZED

LONDON (CP).—Maurice Colbourne and Barry Jones, who are presenting Shakespeare's "As You Like It" at the Phoenix Theatre, London, are doing it as if it were a play by new author, according to E. A. Baughan, well-known London critic of the drama. He says: "Except that some of the blank verse was gabbled and Rosalind were a sort of trouper tucked into her shoes, that the melancholy Jacques, as played by Barry Jones, was a cheerful bachelor with a taste for amiable cynicism, and that Randle Ayrton's Touchstone was so depressed that Rosalind and Celia must have taken him into the forest of Arden to lose him, I saw no attempt to present the play freshly."

"Fabia Drake's Rosalind was versed in all the tricks of the part, and Joyce Carey's Celia seemed of Cockney origin."

"Maurice Colbourne himself gave us a conventional Orlando, which is strange, as he had never played the part before, but in the old Shakespearean days he would not have been cast for Orlando."

Ontarian Reaches Pinnacle of Fame Along White Way

By HELEN NOBLE
Central Press Canadian Correspondent

NEW YORK.—Canada has its own Noel Coward—a London, Ont., man, whose versatility has won him renown not only on Broadway, where he is an important figure, but also throughout Canada.

His name is Gene Lockhart—and Canada can rightly claim him for its own because it was in Toronto that he started the career which is so brilliant. It was here that he wrote his first show, "The Pierrot Players," and it was with another Torontoan that he wrote that famous ballad, "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise." Lockhart did the words and Ernest Belts the music. And, incidentally, although this was published several years ago, the annual royalty cheques are of important size.

IN O'NEILL PLAY

For the first time in several years Gene Lockhart is playing in a Broadway production, the leading comedy role in "Ah, Wilderness," the Eugene O'Neill comedy which is playing to packed houses at the Guild Theatre in New York, with Lockhart as the star. Lockhart has been hailed by critics as "rapidly becoming the foremost comedian in the U.S."

Lockhart is not only an actor, a composer and a lyricist; he has also made a mark as a director, coach, monologist, pianist, singer, librettist, humorist, writer and pianist, to his reputation as "The Noel Coward of Canada." In addition to playing the role of Sid Davis eight times weekly at the Guild Theatre, he is on the faculty of the Juillard Institute of Music (Prof. Lockhart, if you please), teaching stage technique and pantomime, is conducting a course in play reading and stage technique at the Juillard League, coaching a play there, and writing three "Lazy Dan" radio scripts weekly, in between he has several private pupils, and is always dashing off a sketch or a song in between times.

Several years ago, following his success in "Sun-Up," "Handy Man" and "Burr-Purr," when the theatre began to fall into the doldrums, Lockhart and his wife Kathleen (Kitty Arthur, of Toronto), who was a well-known soloist in the churches of that city, and a successful actress in her own right, evolved a new type of entertainment, recital reviews, a potpourri of songs, sketches, monologues, duologues, a type of entertainment similar to English light house activities, which they gave most successfully at clubs, private homes and in theatres from coast to coast. All the material for these was written by Gene.

RADIO CONTRACTS

They also had several most successful radio contracts, and in addition to his own appearances, Lockhart also wrote the Coty hour for Irene Bordino. The Lockharts have also appeared in several comedy short screen subjects.

Last year Lockhart wrote, directed and appeared in "Sunday

Nights at Nine," an intimate revue which ran for the winter season every Sunday night at the Bar-Bizon-Plaza Hotel in New York. Last Summer, his revue "How's Your Code?" was produced most successfully at Lawrence Langner's Country Playhouse in Westport, Conn., with both Lockharts in the featured roles.

The Lockharts have a Summer home not far from Toronto, so that although their professional activities keep them in the United States much of the time, they do return to Canada for their annual holiday.

Canadian Film Has Premiere

By BOB MERTAY
(Central Press Canadian Writer)

One of the most unique auditions in Canadian film history attended the world-premiere performance of "Shadow River," at Brantford, Ontario, this week, when compatriots of Pauline Johnson journeyed in from the Six Nations Reserve to see the cinematic adaptation of this most famous work of the great Indian poetess.

Because Brantford was the birthplace of Pauline Johnson it was thought fitting that the first showing of the film should take place in that city. Here were written the earlier poems which revealed the nature of the poetess and her place in the Canadian scene in delicate and graceful verse that won the Indian girl a myriad of devotees and earned her an assured place in the front rank of Canadian poets. In 1923 Pauline Johnson died, in Vancouver, where a memorial was erected in one of the city parks.

"Shadow River" is the latest release in the "Canadian Cameo" series produced by Associated Screen News. The exterior sequences were filmed in the Muskoka Lakes district, while the right club scenes and other interiors were filmed in Montreal. The stars are Lorna McLean, who gained her dramatic training in Hart House activities, and later joined the Theatre Guild roster. Manners catapulted to screen fame with his portrayal of Lieut. Raleigh in "Johnny's End," and since that time the young Canadian has been constantly before the camera in many outstanding pictures. His first appearance in British films will be in "Contraband," based on the play by Commander Horton Gliddy which scored such a triumph in England. Playing opposite Manners will be Camilla Horn, the blonde and beautiful German screen star, "Contraband" is one of those mythical-kingdom stories in which the prince, betrothed to the king, falls in love with a young officer, the patch of true love being overlooked by the fact that the dashing young guardian is "only a commoner." It will probably have a happy ending, however, such being the ingenuity of the film-makers, be they British or American.

COMPANY RETURNS

First of the British theatrical companies to invade Canada this season will be the Colbourne-Jones troupe, who plan to open in Montreal at the first of the year, and then visit some of the principal Canadian cities before invading the United States. This season they are presenting "Whoopee Kind," a comedy of modern philandering, written by the famous Gaillard-Housman duo. Barry Jones will be the star. Opposite him will be Lily Cahill, daughter of Maria Cahill, the famous English music hall star. Maurice Colbourne will have the unruly part, but is directing the production.

In view of the fact that Cyril Rickwood, of Ottawa, wrote the thematic score for "Shadow River," the Canadian-made cinematic adaptation of the famous poem by Pauline Johnson, it is interesting to record that the chief, firm in the belief that the cycle era—the era in which made production pictures a necessity—is now over and the only logical thing to take its place is the cast of stars supported by stars and stories big and daring in theme.

SHADOW RIVER

The "Shadow River" score was conceived in the Muskoka Lakes district of Ontario, but two previous compositions by Rickwood have been their color from the Canadian Rockies. The first was "Trail Riders' March," dedicated to the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies. So popular has this become that it is now being played by the bands of the 22nd Regiment, Quebec; the Royal Canadian Regiment, London, Ontario; the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, Kingston, and the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Winnipeg. The second composition of Rickwood is "Yoho Waltz," inspired by the beauty of the famous Yoho Valley in British Columbia.

Founder and conductor of the Ottawa Temple Male Choir, Rickwood has been identified with music all his life. The famous Canadian organist studied under Tertius T. Noble, now organist of St. Thomas, New York, and Sir Hugh Allen, principal of Royal College of Music in London, Eng. Since his return from overseas, where he served with the 136th Battalion, Rickwood has been identified with the composition of many band and orchestral selections. His work on the "Shadow River" score, however, marks his first venture in motion pictures.

CIRCUS PICTURE

With the completion of "Red Wagon," the big British picture which had its first showing this week before a gala audience, including the Prince of Wales, at the Regal Cinema, London, Hollywood has frantically called Charles Bick-

Canada's "Noel Coward" Is Hailed by Broadway



GENE AND KATHLEEN LOCKHART

Gene Lockhart shares with his wife his new found fame on Broadway, which was so hardy earned. The playwright started his career in Toronto and has advanced steadily since he produced his first play, "The Pierrot Players."

Canadian Motion Picture Star Will Play at Elstree

By BOB MERTAY
Central Press Canadian Writer

Of particular interest to Canadian theatregoers is the arrival in England of David Manners, latest favorite of the American films to desert Hollywood for British pictures. David Manners, was born at Rauff Aclom in Halifax and later attended the University of Toronto, where he took a prominent part in the South of France, where he worked for a year with Eva Le Gallienne and later joined the Theatre Guild roster.

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DARING THEME BEING SOUGHT

By MOLLY MERRICK
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HOLLYWOOD, Cal.—"The programme picture is a matter of the past; from now on Hollywood will make feature pictures daring in theme and lavishly mounted."

This statement from Darryl Zanuck becomes amazing in that this director has his name in the motion picture profession through his series of cleverly produced programme pictures, which, through their faithfulness to detail, dramatic news quality and excellent dialogue and direction, created a new standard for the cinema.

But, according to Zanuck, the very thing which made him famous—the programme picture—is no more. Big pictures are the vital thing on which production in future must depend. "And big pictures," he adds, "can only be insured by the producers concentrate their complete attention and resources on making one picture at a time."

The entire Zanuck staff is being turned over to the making of George Arliss' next picture, "House of Rothschild," in support of their chief's latest theory about picture production. The chief, firm in the belief that the cycle era—the era in which made production pictures a necessity—is now over and the only logical thing to take its place is the cast of stars supported by stars and stories big and daring in theme.

Laughton Rises To Pinnacle

NEW YORK.—Charles Laughton bursts forth this time as the King of an African river colony, but there are no regal vestments for the cockney character. However, in "White Woman" he puts on more dog than Nero did, and Carole Lombard is more attractive than ever in support. You know the four old Marx brothers, and their "Duck Soup," a mid-week opening, is as crazy and funny as they are. There will go over nicely, going to, or waiting for, "Design for Living," the stage production of the first to be closed because of the apathy of the author toward the constant sell-out. Fredric March is in the screen version of Noel Coward's play, and there is Miriam Hopkins as excellent scenery. Those who saw the show recall that the "Eternal Triangle" was a hexagon.

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Composer Runs Big Theatre

LONDON (CP).—Lawrence Wright, music publisher, London, better known as Horatio Nichols, composer of many popular songs, has had a romantic business career. He began on \$40 lent by his mother and now is spending \$150,000 on a garage for theatregoers, after having purchased the freehold of the Princess Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, for \$700,000. He is opening the theatre shortly with an all-London hire revue, "On With the Show."

At present the Princess Theatre is prospering under the management of Charles Macdonald, with Matheson Lang appearing at cheap prices in "The Wandering Jew."

At twelve years of age Lawrence Wright was a printer's "devil" in Leicester. His father kept a music shop, and music was in the boy's blood. He was on a "lad who," on the \$90 lent him by his mother, he opened a tiny shop himself. Rather than wait for people to come in, he took a piano into Leicester market place and played over the melodies he had for sale on commission.

In London he rented a shop at \$5 a week in Denmark Street, now a haunt of music publishers. That one room has grown into a building of several floors. There he publishes the songs of all sorts of composers, but remains his own client. "Roses of Picardy," "That Old-Fashioned Mother of Mine," "My Inspiration Is Your Silenus," and "Shepherd of the Hills" are a few of his own melodies.

Brochure Predicts New War

During 1934 the Government of the United States of America will lay the foundation for the greatest war ever conducted under the American flag, according to a brochure entitled "1934 and War," issued by the Grand Lodge of the Roelrick Order, A.M.O.R.C., with national headquarters at San Jose, California, and received officially by Captain Gerald H. Barry of this city, local Commissioner of the Order. The brochure further states that the great war will last seven years. It will be a war of construction instead of destruction. It is to be a war against the greatest of enemies—corruption, crime, syndicalism and civic sluggishness. It will not be fought with machine guns or poison gas, but with the weapons of new ideals, tolerance, development of culture and freedom of individual expression. The brochure prophesies the eventual results of this unique combat. It states, according to Captain Barry, that President Franklin D. Roosevelt will be the last President of the United States to function and supervise affairs of this nation in the same manner or under the same constitutional rules. The new form of government will be an intelligent dictatorship.

GALLERY NEEDED BY EASTERN ART

HALIFAX (CP).—The long-rife attention for need of an art gallery in the Maritimes has received the approval of Lord Besborough, the Governor-General.

Touring the galleries at the exhibition of the Royal Canadian Academy in Montreal, Lord Besborough discussed the display from the East, and expressed a need of a gallery for people in the Maritime Provinces worthy of the cultural and intellectual standing in the Dominion.

One of the most interesting features of the Maritimes was the election of Marion Long, A.R.C.A., of Toronto, to full membership of the academy. Miss Long, the second woman in Canada to achieve this honor, is a portrait painter of distinction. Fifty-three years have elapsed since Charlotte Schreiber, the first woman painter, received this honor.

The Royal Canadian Academy exhibition for 1933 is brilliant and colorful. Representational paintings comprise the largest number hung. There are fewer modern art renderings. One of the most outstanding pictures is that by the artist, Wyly Grier. A lady seated before her dressing table, the color lovely, grey-blue background, the whole effect most refined.

Original Of Opera Is Found

OAKLAND, Cal. (UP).—What is believed to be the original copy of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's opera, "The Magic Flute," was found in the possession of E. B. Porter, Oakland man, recently.

Porter of the notion that a slip pasted in the back of an old worn ink contains a message penned in ink, now fading, which establishes authenticity, although not conclusively.

The inscription, which lacks a signature, however, reads: "This is the original copy of 'The Magic Flute' by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart found in his possession; it was bequeathed to Edgar M. Porter on the death-bed of his friend, Mr. Becker—1899."

Jackie Coogan Returns



JACKIE COOGAN and his leading lady, Margaret Marquis, are pictured in Hollywood, Cal., rehearsing for the first of a series of twelve "collegiate" type film plays. It is to be called "Love in September." They will all be two-reelers, directed by Eddie Cline, who directed "The Kid" when he was a little fellow starring with Charlie Chaplin. Young Coogan is a student at Santa Clara University, and will make the films on twenty-four successive week-ends so as not to interfere with his college studies.

Great Britain and the Dominions Overseas

Beetles Attack Ancient Church Of Goldsmith's

Wakefield Cathedral, With Its Saxon Foundation, Becoming Prey of "Death Watch" Insects—Yorkshire Villagers Maintain Edifice Mentioned by Author—Doubt Expressed

LONDON (CP).—Death-watch beetles are attacking the roof of a church made famous by Oliver Goldsmith. The church, Wakefield Cathedral, which, in Goldsmith's time, was the parish church of the village of Wakefield. The inhabitants of Wakefield, in Yorkshire, have always maintained strongly that theirs was the church about which Goldsmith wrote his famous novel. The Wakefield people assert that Goldsmith was at one time a schoolmaster at Thorn Hill, near Wakefield, so it is reasonable to assume that he was drawing on memories of his younger days when, in his lodgings in the Temple, he wrote his masterpiece, and so, with Dr. Samuel Johnson's help, was able to pay his rent.

WENT FROM TORONTO

The late Canon Welch went from St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, to become Vicar of Wakefield, and remained there many years, until he took a smaller rectory in Sussex. It is to be feared, though, that the literary history provides little support for the Yorkshire city's claim. It is recognized that Dr. Primrose was Goldsmith's delightful portrait of his own father, the Rev. Charles Goldsmith, who lived at Killybegs West, in Ireland, and probably never saw Yorkshire in his life.

NOT FULLY IDENTIFIED

The description of the village might fit the Wakefield of many years ago, but the church itself is hardly mentioned at all in the story, and is certainly not described fully enough to identify it.

Whether Goldsmith gave immortality to Wakefield Parish Church, consciously or unconsciously, however, the building itself is well worth preserving. It is mostly sixteenth-century work, with traces of earlier styles, and with even some Saxon work underground.

TO SEARCH FOR LOST EXPLORER

Expedition Hopes to Solve Disappearance of German in Australia

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—The mysterious disappearance in 1846 of the German explorer, Dr. Ludwig Leichhardt, and his party, may be solved by a proposed expedition into the interior. An old iron box, of which wild aborigines have spoken on many occasions, may contain the secret of the vanished explorer.

Stan Hazlett, a well-known prospector, will leave shortly for Laverton, Western Australia, to make his second investigation of a theory of Leichhardt's disappearance which is held by Dr. C. W. Laver, of Katoorlie.

SOUGHT SIXTY YEARS

Leichhardt and his party left North Queensland to cross Australia from east to west. He went into the desert and no more was heard of him or his party. During the last sixty years many expeditions have endeavored to find traces of them.

Dr. Laver bases his theory of the location of Leichhardt's last resting place on numerous native reports of the existence of an iron box which they cannot open and wagon wheels and bullock horns in an unexplored part of the desert near the Western Australian South Australia border.

Leichhardt left Laverton with a party last February to search for the articles, but after four months was forced to turn back, through lack of water, when within 100 miles of his objective.

Gold Mining Aids Kenya Government

NAIROBI, Kenya.—The Governor of Kenya, Sir Joseph Byrne, opening the Budget session of the Legislative Council, said he expected a surplus of £4,000.

The outlook was brighter, partly because of the prospect of establishing a big gold-mining industry, which the Government would do all it could to foster. The Colony was fortunate in having attracted to the goldfields men and companies of good standing and with sound mining experience. As a result there were very few administrative difficulties.

The natives in the Kakamega goldfields were perfectly contented.

BONES OF PREHISTORIC MONSTERS DISCOVERED IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

LONDON.—The bones of four prehistoric monsters, three of them polythoracids, have been found ten feet to fifteen feet below the surface of the limestone quarries at Barnstone, Nottinghamshire, by P. Kent, a young geology student of Nottingham University College.

"At a rough guess I should say these remains are between 40,000 and 50,000 years old," Professor H. H. Swinerton, head of the Natural History Department of the college, told a reporter.

"Quite a lot of prehistoric animals which have been found near Barnstone have been converted into cement. The same fate would have befallen these had not Mr. Kent happened to go there."

Lunch Time at Olympia Dog Show



Sure—and Bring Your Own Samoyeds. However, Here's Lunch Time at the Ladies' Kennel Association's Members' Show at Olympia, London, Recently, and You See Miss Keyte Perry's Samoyeds and Their Kennel Maids.

Many Lives Saved By Parachutes After Airplane Accidents

Apparatus Means of Reaching Safety in Two Recent Crack-Ups—More Than 120 Owe Lives to Device in Great Britain Alone

LONDON.—Three British airmen recently saved their lives by jumping from doomed airplanes and pulling the rip cord of their parachutes. This brings the number of lives saved by the lifebelt of the air since 1926 to more than 120 in Britain alone, the total for all parts of the world since the war being more than 900. In Britain, as in thirty-one other countries, no pilot is allowed to fly on Service duties unless he has taken an important new chapter in the means of saving the lives of many officers of the Royal Air Force and of test pilots of our leading aircraft manufacturing firms.

PLANES IN COLLISION

The first accident of the recent series involved Pilot Officer I. G. Mackay, stationed at Hornchurch, Essex. He went up for a practice flight, together with another machine, both single-seaters—and when several thousand feet high they collided.

His machine got out of control and he was forced to jump, landing safely, for miles around saw him leap.

The airplane crashed and was undamaged, was able to make a normal landing.

BREAKS UP IN AIR

In the second case, a Vickers torpedo bomber from the Brooklands works of the company, broke up in the air several thousand feet above Weybridge Station, Surrey.

The test pilot, Captain J. M. Radcliffe, both jumped. Mr. Summers coming down among some trees, which tore his parachute. He landed heavily and was taken to hospital, where he was detained, suffering from shock.

Mr. Radcliffe was also taken to hospital, but was sent home after being treated for cuts on the chin.

ELECTRIFIED LINES TO BE EXTENDED BY SOUTHERN RAILWAY

LONDON.—The Southern Railway has announced a decision further to extend its electrified lines from Chislehurst and Orpington to Sevenoaks, Kent, at a cost of more than £500,000.

Work is to start almost immediately, and will add three-three miles to the existing system of the largest suburban electrified system in the world.

The new service between Sevenoaks and Chislehurst will consist of three trains per hour on weekdays and two trains per hour on Sundays.

The stations to which the electrified lines will be extended are: Chislehurst, Knockholt, Dutton Green, Sevenoaks (Tub's Hill), St. Mary Cray, Swanley Junction, Eynsford, Chatham, and Orpington (Bat and Ball).

HUNDREDS OF RAILWAY STATIONS IN LONDON

LONDON (CP).—There are 800 passenger railway stations within a ten-mile radius of Charing Cross, London.

All these are shown in a new railway map just issued by the main line railway companies. The object of the map is to show the connections between the main lines and the Underground railways. It is estimated that passengers using the main line termini and those carried by the Underground number 3,000,000 a day.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—The popularity of cricket in Australia is strikingly demonstrated by the size of two organizations in Melbourne and Sydney. The Victorian Junior Cricket Union, claimed to be the largest organization of its kind in the world, embraces forty-four associations of nearly 1,200 teams and 16,000 players. The New South Wales Junior Union embraces thirty-six associations and more than 13,000 players.

PALESTINE MAN BEING STUDIED

Remains of Prehistoric Human Being Subject of Research in London

LONDON (BUP).—In vaults beneath the headquarters of the Royal College of Surgeons in Lincoln's Inn Fields men and women are laboriously attacking great slabs of limestone to bring to light the remains of prehistoric human beings who lived more than 30,000 years ago.

The skeletons, nine in all, are those of members of a hitherto unknown race. When they are freed from their limestone "prisons" they will be examined by Sir Arthur Keith, the anthropologist. Then, it is expected, there will be written an important new chapter in the story of mankind.

The remains were found in a cave on a slope of the Mount Carmel district of Palestine by an expedition jointly promoted by the British School of Archaeology and the American School of Prehistoric Studies.

The unknown race has been called provisionally "Palestine Man."

One Bullet Is Fatal to Man And Antelope

NAIROBI (BUP).—A strange accident in the Tanganyika bush resulted in an old Arab killing both his son-in-law and a kudu (the largest African antelope), with a single bullet.

The two men were out hunting together, but they got separated. The Arab, seeing a fine kudu bull standing in the bush, fired and killed it instantly. When he approached the carcass he found his son-in-law behind it, dead from a bullet wound in the chest.

The bullet had passed through the animal's neck, severing a blood vessel, and traveled on to kill the young man.

AUSTRALIAN CATTLE ON LONG JOURNEY TO NEW PASTURES

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—The largest mob of cattle seen in Moore for many years is passing through the district on the way to three station properties.

The mob comprises nearly 1,400 bullocks, which are part of a mob of 4,000 being sent from Vevey's stations in the Northern Territory to the Moore district.

It is estimated that the cattle have traveled altogether about 2,000 miles, and have been on the road for about two years.

GRANDMOTHER HIKES FAR IN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—"The Hiking Grandmas" is the title which Mrs. Kitty O'Sullivan, fifty-two, has earned for herself in the last seven months. During that time she has walked 2,000 miles in New Zealand and Australia and has lost seven stones in weight. Her latest exploit was to walk 576 miles, from Melbourne to Sydney, in eighteen days.

Copies Birds in New Plane Design

EXPERIMENTS in flight which follow more faithfully the natural movement of the wings of a bird, are now being made at Brockworth Aerodrome, England, by Capt. Rex Stoken, well-known test pilot, with a new invention with a variable camber wing which enables the plane to climb and alight almost like a bird. Here it is.

Recovery Nearly Kept Boy From Meeting Prince

LONDON (CP).—There was an amusing incident during the Duke of Gloucester's tour of the Pontypridd and Rhondda areas of the South Wales coalfield. When he visited the Pontypridd Hospital the Duke chatted with all the thirty patients, including a nine-year-old boy named Teddy Seward.

It appears that Teddy's birthday coincided with that of the Prince of Wales and that it had been the ambition of his young life to meet the Prince or some other member of the Royal Family. However, he was discharged cured before the Duke's visit, but the nurses readmitted him and tucked him into bed under the thought that he might see the Duke.

PRINCE WILL TOUR AFRICA

Arrangements Completed for Extensive Journey to Many Parts of Continent

LONDON.—Prince George, who is visiting the Union of South Africa and Rhodesia next year, will leave for Capetown in the Union-Castle liner Carnarvon Castle, sailing from Southampton on January 18.

Prince George has, with the approval of the King, accepted the Portuguese Government's invitation, conveyed to him by the Portuguese Ambassador, to pass through Angola on his way back to England and to attend an official reception there.

TO BELGIAN CONGO

This will be after leaving Northern Rhodesia, when the Prince will travel through the Belgian Congo and Angola on his way to Lobito, from which port he will sail for England.

The port of Lobito is usually served by the intermediate vessels of the Union-Castle Company, but on this occasion a steamer engaged in the company's weekly mail service, the Windsor Castle (18,975 tons), leaving Capetown on April 6, is making a special call at Lobito on April 10 to embark His Royal Highness and party, before proceeding to Southampton, where the vessel is due on April 23.

Prince George will visit Rhodesia on the invitation of the Government of Southern and Northern Rhodesia. On leaving Northern Rhodesia Prince George will travel through the Belgian Congo and Angola enroute for Lobito Bay, from which port he will sail for England on April 10.

Before proceeding to Southern Rhodesia, His Royal Highness will have the opportunity of visiting Basutoland and the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

DOCTORS PROTEST TO HOME OFFICE

Medical Profession in Britain Alarmed at Number of Refugee Physicians From Germany

LONDON (BUP).—The medical profession has protested to the Home Office against unrestricted admission to this country of refugee Jewish doctors from Germany.

A deputation of doctors who visited the Home Office could be informed that the Home Office could do nothing.

The number of German-Jew refugee doctors admitted to Great Britain is in dispute. Jewish organizations state that not more than 200 doctors have come here to seek sanctuary from the Nazi regime, but British medical organizations estimate that the number of Jewish doctors from Germany likely to be admitted here is not less than 800.

SHOWS WAY IN FARMING

There is another eminent statesman who has also provided an example. Lloyd George throughout the latter half of his career has been telling farmers what is wrong with them and why they can save themselves if they only have the courage and intelligence to do so. When the urgent cares of Ministerial life ended for him he bought an estate of 800 acres in Surrey and became Lloyd George the farmer. Ten years ago it was bad land, filled with wild scrub, heath, brake-fern and weeds. Half of it has been brought into fruitful order now, and the rest is destined to be made productive.

Only this season has Mr. Lloyd George's earliest-planted orchard yielded a profit. The enthusiasm of the former Premier and the man who is said to have won the war for his farm is as intense as his eloquence. Walking over the estate with a newspaper friend, he said recently, "There are my pioneers. I have 800 pigs doing the first clearing of that rough land. That has been my method. First the pigs, and when they have routed out all they can, the tractor follows."

The pigs in the sandy waste were making holes as large as sheep holes, and they left nothing standing except an occasional oak sapling. Mr. Lloyd George also has 4,000 head of poultry, of proven utility breeds, and a fine lot of geese. The estate formerly employed three men. Now there are twenty-one in regular work, and more labor is employed for picking, the seasonal jobs. He intends to have 100 acres of fruit trees and prove that he is a statesman.

WOMAN VIOLATES DREADED RULE OF BRITISH COMMONS

Visitor in Ladies' Gallery Smokes While Members of House Look on Aghast—Life of Arthur Henderson Example to Youth—Lloyd George Proves Agricultural Ability

By OLIVIER CAREW

LONDON (BUP).—Many of the most cherished traditions of the Old Country have been violated and demolished by women in what they term the march of progress. We men have watched them disappear one by one with regrets. This week, however, a woman dared to do in the House of Commons what most of us who frequent there have wished to do but have never had enough nerve to even dare contemplate.

One of the most irritating restrictions in the House for those who smoke is the rule against smoking. You must not smoke in the main part of the Commons nor in many of the corridors and rooms allotted for the convenience of members. In moving from one part of the House to another, you abandon a cigarette or cigar at one point and light another when you have turned a corner. You are not allowed to smoke in the lobby, but you can smoke in the bar which opens on to it, although even there is smoking technically but not actually prohibited. For cigar smokers the burden of obeying the regulations is obviously, overwhelming. No case has been recorded in modern times of any man breaking the rules.

WOMAN BREAKS RECORD

The late Lord Curzon, like Mr. Winston Churchill, who outside the House was seldom seen without a cigar in his mouth, exercised a Parliamentary restraint, and the famous pipe of Mr. Buxton, his one great solace in life, has never been known to show itself on the floor of the Commons or in the lobby. This week a woman broke the record. Seated in the ladies' gallery, a gloomy place situated above the press gallery, where suffragettes demonstrated and chain themselves to the stone screen, a woman lit a cigarette and the glow could be seen from the floor of the House.

The Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms remained calm. He could hardly credit the evidence of his eyes. Not even in the press gallery, where temptation to smoke is sometimes almost irresistible and one's hand moves automatically to a cigarette case during a dull debate, had such a sight been observed. Quietly the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms beckoned to an attendant. A telephone call to the man in charge of the ladies' gallery, and then a woman visitor was told that there was at least one sanctuary for the non-smoker. The glow vanished, and so did the woman, who will long be remembered in the parliamentary history of this country.

CHANGED HIS WAYS

While I am on the subject of the suppression of an indulgence, let me tell you of the conversion of Mr. Arthur Henderson, "Uncle Arthur," the organizer of the Labor Party and the chairman of the Disarmament Conference. Under Arthur is the most dignified, austere and temperate of men. He symbolizes all the self-respect and independence of the workers of the country. But at twelve years of age Uncle Arthur, an apprentice at a firm of locomotive builders in Newcastle-on-Tyne, was a bad lad. He gambled and he used to put his few pennies in the sweepstake on a big horse race, and as the money was shared out, he was seen there drinking his glass of beer.

Suddenly Arthur dropped both gambling and beer. Then came Gipsy Smith, who was a Salvation Army captain in those days, and he not only converted him but engaged him to speak as a Salvation Army preacher. Arthur became seriously devoted to the duties of life. He worked eleven hours each day in an iron foundry, and became a force in local politics and temperance advocacy. In 1903 he became a member of Parliament as a Labor candidate.

Since then he has been the secretary of the Labor Party and Foreign Secretary to His Majesty. His work at the Disarmament Conference is known to you all, and he is back again in Parliament. The story of his life is now being told to little boys who want to gamble and drink. He is an example.

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One of the most remarkable of these clubs is the Catch Club, founded in 1761 by Alexander, tenth Earl of Eglington. Membership is restricted to twenty-six, with an honorary membership of some of the best choir voices in London. Round the table after dinner, each member in turn toasts a leading professional singer, who is a lady. From a book of many hundred catches he selects his choice, which is then sung. This is one of the many ways in which the members cheer away the winter months.

THE WEEK'S MYSTERY

Respect for the law is an essential characteristic of British life. Contempt of our courts is a serious crime. The majesty of the law, however, has been defied for thirty years in the Court of Appeal, No. 2, where at present Lord Justice Greer sits. The offender is a simple draught. For all these thirty years judges and barristers have been driven to their beds with chronic colds. Every known device has been used to trace the draught, and curtains and screens have been used to arrest it. The law is still defied. The draught breathes nothing but contempt.

SEARCHING FOR HEALING HERB

Plant Which Grows on Hills of India Said to Cure Rheumatism

LONDON (BUP).—The discovery of what is known as a "magic herb," which only grows in the Nilgiri Hills, Madras Presidency, is the object of a British expedition which has just left London.

The herb, according to Frederick Ramshaw, who is leading the party, is used for curing rheumatism.

The secret of it, Ramshaw says, has been handed down by local healers from generation to generation, and has never been divulged. He is convinced that the use of this herb would be of great benefit to humanity.

The party will embark for India from Brindisi. They will travel, not by steamer, but in a collapsible rubber boat, fifteen feet long, specially made for them in Italy.

On reaching India, they will go straight to the Nilgiri Hills to begin their investigations.

NOTED WINDOWS BEING REPLACED

Valuable Stained Glass Lights Were Removed From Canterbury Cathedral During War

LONDON (BUP).—The gigantic task of replacing the valuable stained glass windows of Canterbury Cathedral, which were removed at the beginning of the war, will soon be completed.

When the war broke out, the windows, worth \$250 a foot, were removed to avoid air-raid damage, and an expert did it in three weeks.

Fifteen years ago the restoration of the windows was ordered, and the task is nearly completed.

The secret of the twelfth and thirteenth century monks, who painted most of the windows, has never been discovered. Modern artists have never been able to produce the same beautiful coloring.

What's New and Interesting for the Women

Evening Dresses Are Slim

PARIS—Worth has made a collection of importance. His tailor-made dresses are simple and in suitable colors and materials for winter. With them he puts bright blouses in velvet, plush and knitted wools, and he lines his jackets to match the blouses. He is using heavy Lyons satin for the afternoon, with fur to trim it. With brown satin he puts golden-brown fur. For such formal ensembles he has revived the fashions of the years when Manet, Renoir and Degas were painting portraits. All that is wanting to complete the revival is the bonnet with strings. Worth continues to follow the tradition that ladies should dress with a certain stateliness for the evening. He makes a concession in designing gay little ensembles for the morning or for sport, but for evening dresses he returns to courtly styles. His necklines recall the years which immediately preceded the war. They are wide and open, square and round, as well as pointed low behind.

Augustabernard has made an ideal Parisian collection. Her evening dresses are slim, with a straight front, and all the fullness of the dress draped to the back. The line is that of the Princess dress. Where dresses have no trains they reach the ground and may have flounces about the hem. The morning dresses are long in the skirt, only nine inches from the ground. They are cut straight and with an easy waist line not marked by a belt. Augustabernard has succeeded in making a loose boister line that is not heavy. There is play in the dress above the hips, but no heaviness. She uses the cowl line for draping the necks of her afternoon dresses, and makes long sleeves with unusual lines where they meet the shoulders. These lines give shoulders that are neither square nor drooping.

Ardanne is another dressmaker who works on exclusive lines. She uses flat skirts in bands and works them into patterns as if they were braids. She also uses penny-sized rounds of fur, and makes a charming evening cape of ermine and silver gause in this way. A most becoming fashion for the evening is her transparent network. There is not a button in the collection. A Bianchini material called moutaine is used by Ardanne in black and in colors for afternoon dresses. It hangs very well and has a fine, pebbly surface. Pale green with brown, pale blue with black, and bright red in plain and figured materials are used. Morning dresses fit close and are quite simple. For the evening the flared silhouette is used. Long sleeves and draped shoulders are correct for the morning. Extreme simplicity is the note dwelt on in this collection.

Vegetables in Luncheon Soup

You who must plan noon lunches will find financial comfort in soup made from the dinner vegetables. Save blunt ends of asparagus, slice fine and cook tender in water. Add shredded carrots, green onion tops and other odds, flavoring with a can of bouillon if handy. Cereal dumplings made by adding egg and flour to cooked cereal from breakfast may be dropped into the boiling soup to furnish the bulk necessary for noontime meals at the mountain or beach cottage. Cornmeal mush is a specially good foundation.

It's hard to keep up with Paris fashions and attend to anything else. Now they're going in for ribbed velvet coats over there, with huge ribs and fur collars, silver fox preferably.

For Winter Tennis



This chic winter tennis suit consists of a pique dress and knitted striped wool jacket with belt. The tone scheme is black and white, and Janet Hutchinson is modeling it.

There's a "New Deal" in Shoes

Season's Footwear Shows a Number of Interesting Features and Includes Ensembles of Boot and Bag



Left, Black and White Frock, Black Kid Shoes, Black Turban; Right, Gold Flecked Dress, Black Shoes, Hat; Centre, Reading Down, Ensemble of Bag, Shoes; Oxford With Hook Eyelets; "Spat" Shoe; Black and White Pump.

In spite of the fact that skirts are longer, shoes are, if possible, more important than ever. Frocks for everyday wear are still short enough to make a neat pedal extremity necessary. And for evening, the long skirts must be lifted out of the way when dancing, especially where there is a train, and then the shoes are displayed in a way to make smartness imperative.

The "New Deal" in shoes shows many important features, as, for instance, the exaggerated tongue shown on the model at the right of the picture; or the hook eyelet, which is said to be inspired by the eyelets of the bicycle shoe worn in the mauve decade.

The black crepe frock, left, with its pleated collar and bodice, is completed with the tiny black turban and black kid shoe. A smart daytime frock of black wool with gold flecks woven through it, and buttons and belt simulating gold coin, is worn with the aforementioned black kid shoes with exaggerated and perforated tongues, a clever semi-dress type.

The ensemble of "matings" of shoe and bag is not overlooked in this new season. Such an ensemble is shown on the model at the right of the picture; or the hook eyelet, which is said to be inspired by the eyelets of the bicycle shoe worn in the mauve decade.

The modern hook eyelet, inspired by the era when the bicycle was the favorite mode of locomotion, is shown next in a smart Oxford of brown kid. The "spat" shoe is another novel yet conservative model, shown third from the top. Brown kid is used for the major part of the shoe, with the top section of matching suede. The only trimming is stitching and perforation on the vamp.

Below is a dress pump in black and white with decorative insets of patent leather piped with white. For formal evening wear sandals are the choice of most, toeless, or in contrast tip types with dainty cross-strappings in metal kid or tinted satin.

Fried Bread Enjoyed by Youngsters

Six slices bread, one egg, one cup milk, one teaspoon sugar. Cut the bread one-fourth inch thick. The crust may be trimmed, if you like an even appearance, but this is not necessary. Beat egg slightly with milk and seasoning. Dip bread quickly in and out of the mixture and saute in a hot frying pan containing just enough fat to prevent sticking. A more evenly browned product will be obtained if the bread is fried in deep fat.

Today's Recipes

By MRS. MARY MORTON

MENU HINTS
Luncheon
Jelly Omelet
Whole Wheat Bread and Butter
Baked Apples
Cookies
Milk
Dinner
Steak
Spiced Red Cabbage
Baked Potatoes
Apple-Celery Salad
Date and Nut Pudding
Coffee

JELLY OMELET
Two slices bread, one cup milk, six eggs, one teaspoon butter, salt and pepper, one-fourth cup jelly. Crumble the bread and allow it to soak in the milk while the eggs are being prepared. Beat the eggs until light, add seasonings and then add the bread and milk mixtures. Bake fifteen minutes in a hot oven (450 degrees F.) in a well-greased shallow pan, and when done spread with jelly; roll as you would a jelly roll.

SPICED RED CABBAGE
One small head red cabbage, one small onion, two teaspoons butter, one-fourth teaspoon pepper, one teaspoon salt, one-half cup vinegar, one cup water, dash cayenne, one teaspoon sugar. Slice cabbage and onion very fine. Melt butter and cook cabbage, onion and seasonings in it five minutes. Add water and vinegar. Cook slowly about fifteen minutes until very tender.

DATE AND NUT PUDDING
One cup flour, two teaspoons baking powder, one-half teaspoon salt, one egg, one cup sugar, one cup sliced dates, one-half cup chopped nuts, one-half cup milk, one teaspoon vanilla. Sift dry ingredients. Beat the egg beat in the sugar gradually, add the sliced dates and chopped nuts. Stir in the milk and vanilla. Add dry ingredients. Spread the mixture on a greased shallow baking pan to form a layer about one inch thick. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) for one hour. Cut into squares when cold and serve with whipped cream or small ball of ice cream.

Pale Pink for a Blonde

Hostess Gowns of Waifle Georgette Becomes Light-Haired Girl



Left, Pale Pink Hostess Gown; Right, Furless Town Suit.

Pale pink for the blonde hostess is a most alluring shade, as you can see by casting your eye over Gloria Stuart, at the left of the picture.

Gloria's gown here is fashioned of one of those waffle georgettes with a real old-fashioned cording trimming. Notice the modest bustle effect at the back. They're much used this year.

The furless town suit is a popular garment at this time of the year, and is illustrated here in copper brown ribbed wool. It shows a wrapped and belted line, and with it are worn a scarf to match or contrast—as you choose—casual felt hat and cut crystal bracelets in copper color.

Meals Served A la Carte In the Home

By GARRY C. MYERS, P.D.

"It doesn't want this oatmeal, give some corn flakes," commands the boy of eight. His mother gets corn flakes. May arrives. "I want a soft-boiled egg this morning, mother." "Make it two fried, with a little bacon for me. Remember, I like them turned," adds adolescent Fred. Dad orders up some buttered toast. "A slice for me, too," hollers May.

Do you make your home dining-room a restaurant? Do you serve food to your children a la carte? A great many mothers do. Some wear themselves out being chef and waitress for the other members of the family. In doing so they make themselves their children's slaves, teach them to be finicky about food, and rob them of good qualities of character.

For children of school age to eat happily what is set before them, ask no questions, making no remarks, is a goal not too high to reach at home. Expect the same of all other adults. Any father who carries sportsmanship into his home, and expects to set good model of conduct before his children, learns to eat the regular family meal.

If you want your children to acquire good food habits and grow up to welcome guests at meals in their homes, serve them merely the family meal.

TAKE TURNS
No reason why the members of the family should not take turns in making, on the evening before, the choice of cereal for the morning breakfast, within a range convenient to the mother or the maid. Then let all the family abide by this decision, asking in the morning for no substitutes. At other meals, except for the children very young, let there be one menu for the group. Every child, old enough, will be served with some of each food. If it is one of which he is not very fond, honor his request for a very small helping. If it is one particularly disliked, be satisfied if his helping is exceedingly small. Have no arguments, no scenes; have even no remarks about food. Let each child learn that complaint about his food automatically removes him from the family group.

Keep the family conversation above the stomach. Make it interesting, in a cheery atmosphere. In school homes it is not always convenient nor always desirable for either parent to rise early enough to eat breakfast with the high school child who may leave to go to school very early. In that event he selects and prepares his own food. What he gains from independence may be very wholesome. If, however, he does not choose enough or proper food for breakfast, his mother, where there is no other help, can afford to make consideration for his breakfast. In any event, either she or the father or both should be nearby always eat breakfast with him in order to encourage his companionship, and to send him off for the school day's work with cheer and good wishes. In most homes the family can eat

the evening meal together. When properly conducted this dinner hour is the most valuable means of education which the child can have anywhere.

When all eat together the same foods in an atmosphere of calm and leisure, where each one learns to be courteous and considerate of every other member, and where they engage freely in conversation as a group, the whole setting helps to unify.

Table d'hôte at home for family happiness and character development. A la carte for their destruction.

Helpful Aids to Beauty
If you bleach superfluous hair light enough with a mixture of two teaspoons of peroxide and half a teaspoon of household ammonia, it will not be noticeable.

FRECKLES
Lemon juice makes an excellent freckle bleach, so does dilute peroxide. Either bleach should be permitted to dry on the skin. Then a bit of cold cream should be applied to counteract any drying effects.

POWDER BASE
If your skin is oily, I would suggest that you try using a good astringent before applying your make-up. This forms a most effective powder base for an oily skin.

ROUND FACE
It's true that sometimes a round, full face can be a source of annoyance. For while softy rounded contours are most youthful, an over-plump, moon face can make even a really slender girl look much heavier than she really is. But fortunately, there's a great deal that a girl can do to make her face appear more slender.

In the first place, the way a girl arranges her hair is bound to affect the contours of her face. If she has a round, full face, she should stick to a side part. In addition, she should keep the hair entirely off her forehead, should bring it softly forward on her cheeks, and should keep it flat over her ears. The way she applies her rouge also has some influence on the facial contours. The moon-faced lass should blend her rouge softly toward her nose. This will create the illusion that the center of her cheeks are closer together, and will thus make her face appear more oval.

The necklines a girl wears also have some effect on the shape of her face. The round-faced damsel should wear a mostly oval or V-shaped neckline, as they will offset the fullness of her face. She should avoid wide collars, too, as they will exaggerate the width of her face. Narrow collars always prove the most flattering to the round-faced type.

ASTRINGENT
An excellent astringent for a sensitive skin can be made of equal parts of rosewater, glycerine and witch hazel. If it proves too drying, reduce the amount of witch hazel used.

Vinegar is very effective in removing paint spots from glass.

Date and Nut Bread Delicious

NUT BREAD

Two cups water, one tablespoon lard, two tablespoons sugar, one teaspoon salt, four cups yeast dissolved in one-half cup lukewarm water, in one cup chopped nuts, five cups whole wheat flour. Scald milk and water together and pour them over the sugar, salt and lard. Let cool until medium hot, then add the white flour. Beat ten minutes and then add the yeast (dissolved). Cover and let rise until very light. Then add the nuts and the whole wheat flour, making a soft, sticky dough. Place the dough in a buttered bowl and let it rise until it gains twice its original bulk. Then form into loaves. Place them into pans, having each half full. Let them rise until pans are full, then bake for one hour. This amount makes three loaves.

DATE BREAD

One cup dates (chopped), one cup white flour, one and one-half cups Graham flour, one-quarter cup sugar, one teaspoon salt, five cups whole wheat flour, one cup milk, one tablespoon melted butter. Mix flour with sugar, salt and baking powder which have been sifted together, add milk, beat well, add fruit and shortening. Put into greased bread pan. Allow to stand twenty minutes in a warm place. Bake in moderate oven.

Snowy Wash Depends on Good Soap

Moderation is indeed a virtue in the operation of a washing machine. If the machine is permitted to run longer than the approved period indicated for a "load," the wash is likely to turn grayish instead of a snowy white.

As a result of a series of scientific tests, washing machine manufacturers give us this explanation. The soap breaks up the soil into small particles. When a machine is run too long it is difficult to float these particles away and they are likely to become re-absorbed into the fibres. This proves, among other things, how truly efficient good soap is. As soon as its work is done, the clothes should be removed from the water. In this and other particulars it is important to follow closely the directions that come with every washing machine.

Prepare Attractive Luncheon of Scraps

The hurry-up luncheon that resolves so often into an assembly of scraps can be as attractive and ordered a meal as any with the addition of odds and ends of meat and vegetables to canned soup, or turned into a casserole with prepared spaghetti. If we but prepare an extra portion two days before of such foods as rice, corn pudding or gelatin desserts, luncheon dishes are but a trick of a moment, with the addition of eggs and milk, as for an omelet, or in the case of dessert some bits of orange or diced pineapple.

Informal Dinner Frock



This red neckline dinner gown is for formal-informal wear. The interesting details are the flared gown that break the line of the slim skirt, and the triple-tiered front capelet daintily set off with a white satin turn-back collar with cord and tassel tie. The only other trimming feature is the jeweled buckle fastening the self-material belt.

Use Powder Skillfully To Obtain Best Results

By GLADYS GLAD

The lovely Maureen O'Sullivan, who is one of the most popular girls in all of Hollywood, claims that very few women really know how to powder their faces. According to Maureen, powdering is really an art. And knowing how to apply powder skillfully makes all the difference in the world, as far as a girl's loveliness is concerned.

It's really true that very few women ever give much thought to how they apply their powder. Most of them just slap it on a bit-and-miss fashion, wasting half of it at each application. And they consequently fail to achieve that smooth, velvety finish that adds so much to a girl's charm and allure.

Learn how to apply your powder properly, if you wish to make the most of your basic loveliness. If you push your puff into your powder-box, and then nonchalantly slap it on your face, you'll find that your make-up will never look quite as perfect as it should. And what's more, it's an expensive proposition to apply powder in this manner. For a good deal of the powder drifts away in the air when so applied, and is totally wasted.

Kinky Locks Unattractive

By GLADYS GLAD

Over in France, before the bloody French Revolution occurred, women decorated their heads to reflect the glory of their husbands. In that era, the more fantastic the coiffure, the more aristocratic its wearer was thought to be. And those French ladies certainly went to extremes!

However, Nature herself sometimes goes to extremes in the matter of the hair. On some people, for instance, she bestows hair that is provokingly straight. And to others she gives hair that is exasperatingly curly. Of course, most women have a yen for curly locks. But it's far better to have straight hair than to have over-curly hair. For it's easier to put a wave in straight hair than it is to remove the kinks from too-curly hair.

DIFFICULT HAIR
Frizzy, kinky hair is far from attractive, and is usually very difficult to keep in order. Such hair tends to tangle and snarl very easily, and seems coarse and wiry in texture. And as a consequence, it must be treated with more care than an ordinary head of hair. For while it is impossible to remove all the kinks from frizzy hair, a great deal can be done to make such hair appear softer and smoother.

In the first place, frequent hot oil treatments help to improve kinky, disorderly hair, as they correct any dry wiriness. Vinegar rinses are also beneficial, because they soften the hair and make it

more tractable. And proper finger waving also helps to train kinky hair into more attractive waviness. When treating kinky hair, the best course is first to give the hair a hot oil treatment, as outlined in my "Beauty Culture" booklet. Then shampoo and rinse, and a vinegar rinse used at the last. This rinse should be composed of half a glass of cider vinegar and a pint of clear water. After the shampooing, the hair should be set in wide, loose waves, and the waves should be pinned securely in place. If this is done each time that the hair requires shampooing, the hair will eventually lose its kinkiness, and will become trained to retain a smooth, even wave.

If you have a garden plot a bench outside the kitchen on which you can wash the vegetables you bring them from the garden. In this way you avoid carrying ants and other insects into the kitchen.

When there are grease spots on linoleum or wood floors, do not wash the floor with hot water, as this will set the grease. Wash with cold water and soap powder until the spots disappear.

Novel Dish for Lunch or Supper

ESCALLOPED SAUERKRAUT

Boil in water, two pounds of kraut until tender, then drain, and drain. Arrange these two ingredients in a baking pan, having kraut on the last layer. Over this arrange one pound of sausage meat that has been formed into cakes. Bake in a moderate oven about one hour or until sausage is sufficiently cooked. Serves six or eight.

White Mountain Icing for Cakes

Two and one-half cups sugar, one-fourth cup corn syrup, three-fourths cup water, two egg whites, one-fourth teaspoon salt, one teaspoon vanilla. Mix sugar, corn syrup and water in a saucepan. Heat slowly, stirring constantly over a low fire until the sugar is dissolved. Don't let the syrup boil until after the sugar is dissolved. With a damp cloth wipe down the crystals from the sides of the pan. Boil the syrup until it will spin a thread from six to ten inches long. If you are using a thermometer, it should register 238 degrees. Have the egg whites beaten in a bowl and chilling with the beater. As soon as the syrup is cooked set it aside and quickly beat the eggs until sufficiently stiff to stand up in peaks, adding salt during the beating. Add syrup and beat until the mixture will hold its shape, then beat vanilla. This part of the beating will need to be done with a spoon. When sufficiently stiff, spread on cakes. If the icing does not get sufficiently stiff to stay on the cake, add a small amount of powdered sugar until it is of the right consistency. If it becomes too stiff, beat in a small amount of hot water.

Food Chopper Should Be All Ready for Use

There are so many ingredients that would be better for the purpose required if they were ground through the food chopper, but it is such a bother to get the chopper out and put it together that we are inclined to use these ingredients without grinding for this reason. It is an excellent plan, therefore, to keep the food chopper set up all the time and fastened to a table or to the kitchen cabinet all ready for use. One may keep a cover thrown over it to prevent dust and moisture.

Do not leave a fork, spoon or other metal article in a pot which is desired to heat rapidly, as the metal will deflect the heat and prolong the time of reaching the boiling point.

Use the unworn parts of old cloth or linoleum for making mats for pots containing plants and flowers, and if these mats are enameled the water will not soak in.

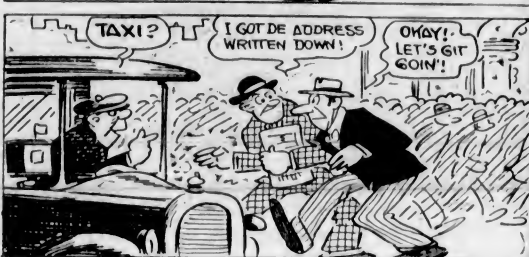
DINGLE-HOOFER UND HIS DOG ADOLPH-

By KNERR

THE TWO CROOKS, WHO SAW THE ADVERTISEMENT IN THE PAPER OFFERING A REWARD OF \$1000.00 FOR THE RETURN OF THE LOST DOG, "RABBIT", SEE THE PICTURE, "FROM MUTT TO MONARCH". THEY RECOGNIZE ALFALFA AS THE SAME DOG AND ARE HATCHING A SCHEME TO GET HOLD OF THE VALUABLE ANIMAL AND CLAIM THE REWARD!

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